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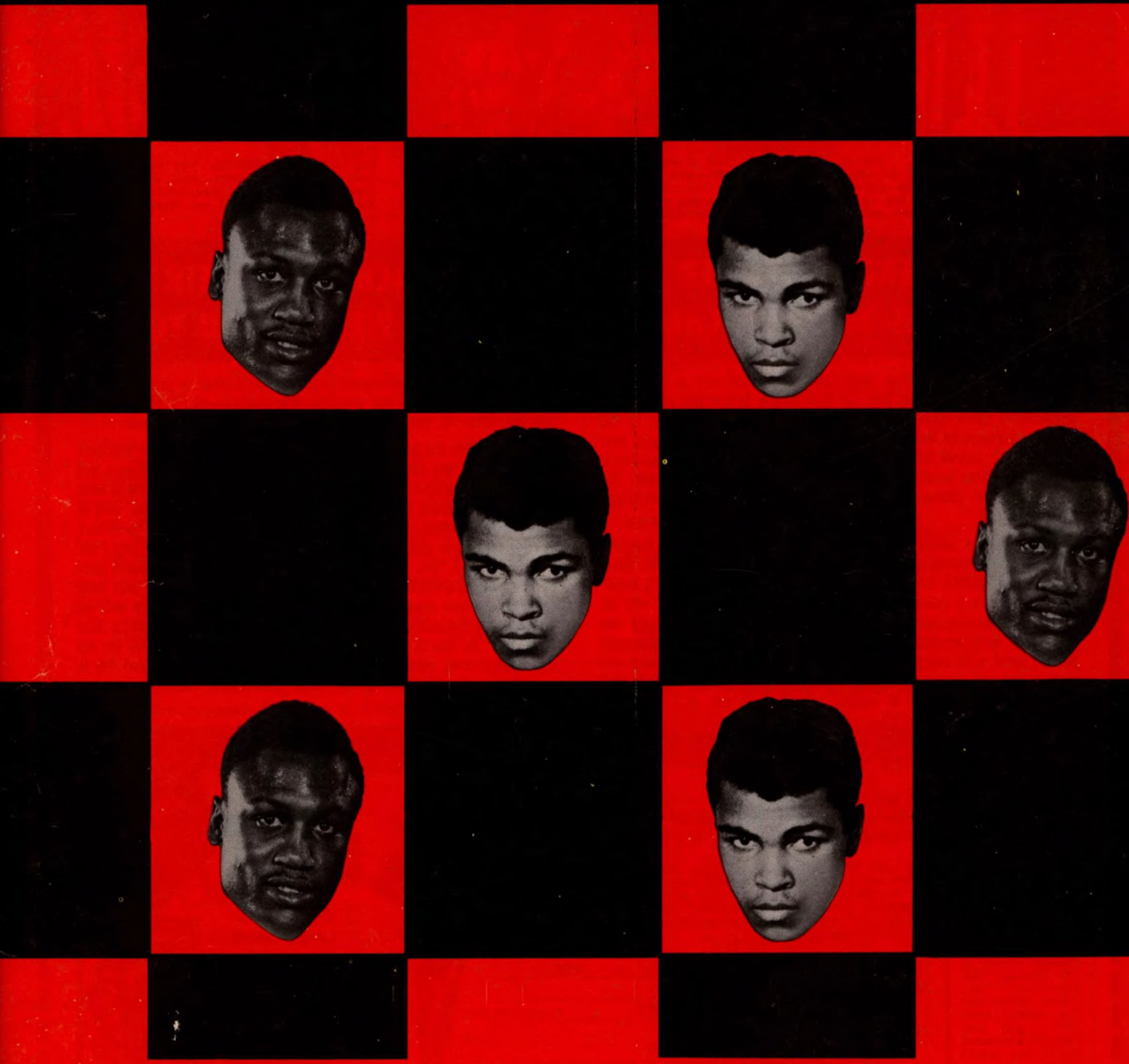

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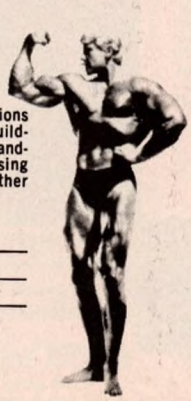

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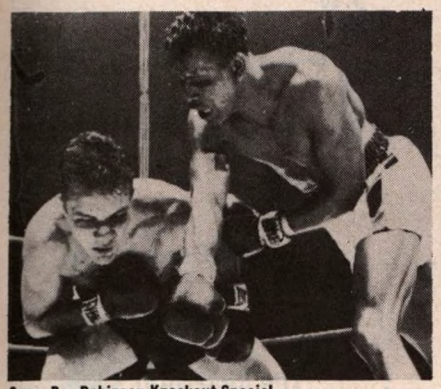

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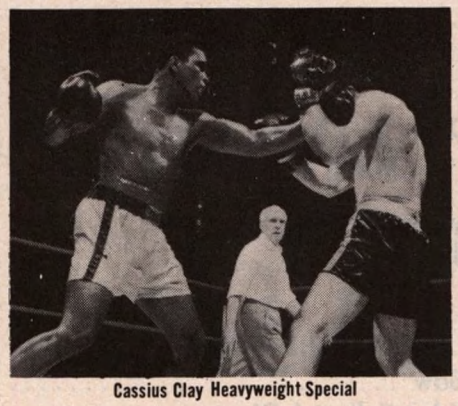

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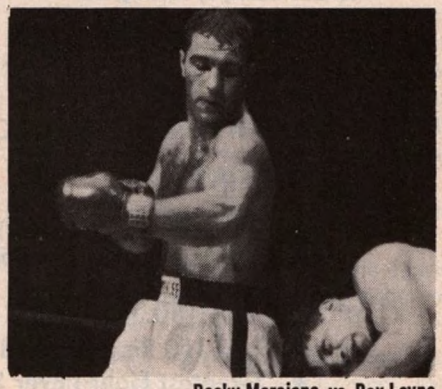

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Speaks Out!!!

FLEISCHER

NOT so long ago, referee Harold Valan, working in New Jersey, minus judges, called an evenly fought bout a draw. The friends of one of the contestants, who had brought a plaque to present to their favorite, whom they had expected to score easily, were left with the prize and they raised Hail Columbia.

Said referee Valan, "I don't like to call a round even. But if one fighter wins five rounds and the other takes as many, it has to be a draw, trophy or no trophy."

All of which calls attention to the fact that the draw decision has become obsolete in American boxing, especially in the New York sector.

Another decision which has become very unstylish is "Lost by disqualification."

It could be that refereeing has become lax. For example, there is the work of Mark Conn in the Clay-Bonavena fight.

In the 15th round, Conn failed to call the mandatory eight after Ringo had hit the deck the first time, and also failed to order Clay to a neutral corner.

Came a second knockdown and the referee again forgot the mandatory eight and the order to go to a neutral corner.

A third knockdown ended the fight under the rule which hangs up a KO against a fighter who has been decked twice in one round.

When so prominent, able and reputable a referee as Conn becomes flustered in so important a fight, there is something radically wrong with the system. Especially as sloppy work is followed by no public reprimand from the chairman of the governing commission.

There is considerable foul punching nowadays, a lot of it under cover, especially the stunt of butting.

Illegal use of the head has been producing a lot of eye cuts and other lacerations.

Some referees see the butting and do nothing. Some issue a warning.

I recommend taking a round away from the butting specialist.

There is a lot of hitting under the belt. Some of it is called, sometimes with loss of a round. But most of the low punches are condoned.

Time was when a foul punch brought immediate disqualification. Sometimes this privilege accorded to the referee was misused. But both the great and the lowly suffered in the general run.

It used to be that only seldom did a heavyweight hit below the belt. As a matter of record, the world heavyweight title has been decided only once on a foul, in favor of Max Schmeling against Jack Sharkey.

Digging through the Ring Record Book proofs as the 1971 edition was going to press, I was amazed at the frequency of disqualification for foul punching in the good old days.

Years ago a fighter sometimes took refuge from certain defeat by fouling his opponent. Benny Leonard's lone disqualification came in his fight with Jack Britton, whom he struck, apparently willfully, while Jack was down. Benny had no use for the welter title.

Some of the old entries in the record book are shocking.

For example, the late Ted Kid Lewis, an all-time great, lost seven fights on fouls. Seven, mind you!

Onetime lightweight champion Ad Wolgast lost by disqualification four times.

Take a look at this one; Kid Williams, a marvel in his brawly time, won six fights on fouls, four in the year 1927. As against six won, he lost five on fouls.

Joe Gans's record shows no fewer than five bouts won on fouls.

In our own time, the most frequent beneficiary of a foe's disqualification has been Nino Benvenuti, who has won four fights that way.

Other frequent winners on disqualifications were Maxie Rosenbloom, 5; Tiger Flowers, 5; Frank Klaus, 4; Marcel Thil, 4; Tiger Johnny Thompson, 3.

Marked reduction in foul punching traces not only to greater tolerance, or carelessness, among referees, but to the gradual elimination of infighting.

There are comparatively few prominent boxers today who are experts at close range. There is mostly head punching with eye cuts as major targets.

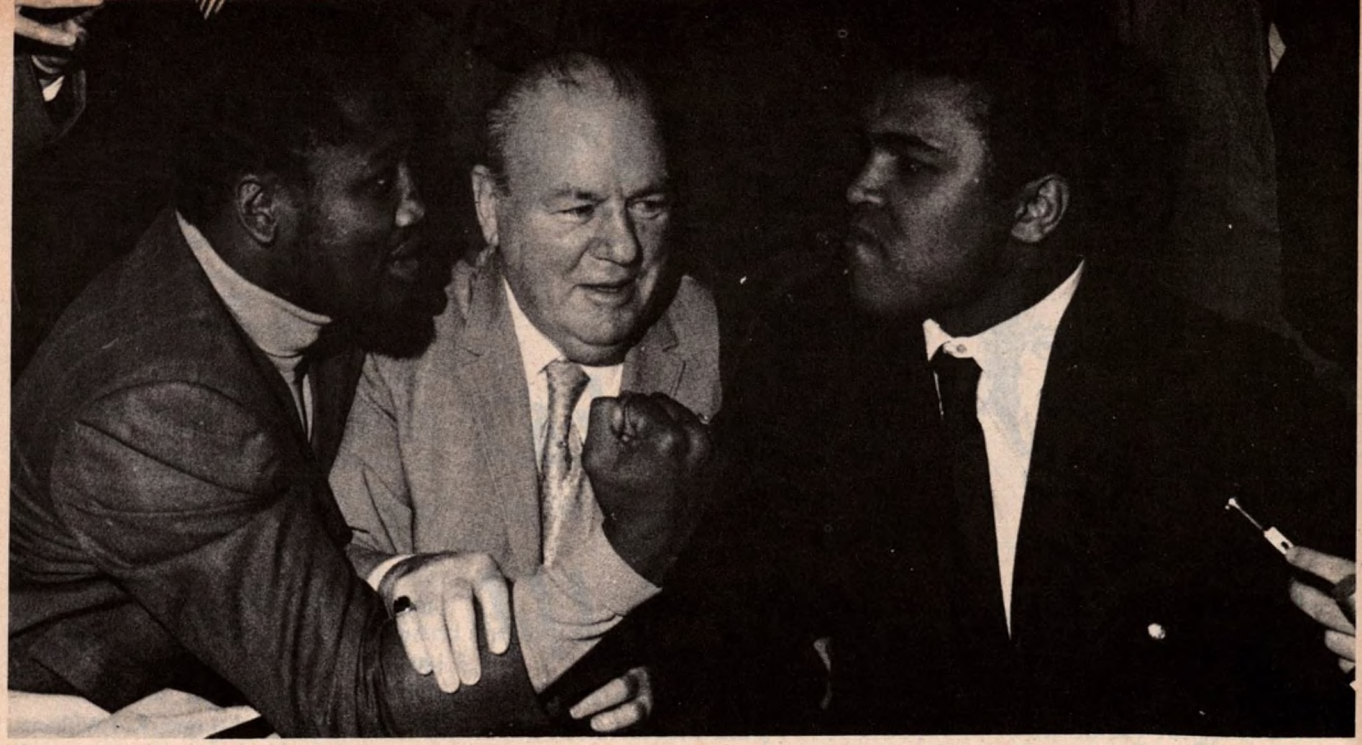
The cure lies with commissions. Let them crack down on careless referees. Make these men more alert. Let poor work be punished by public reprimand, and reduction of assignments, if not, in severe cases, total elimination.

Review of the work of referees should be accompanied by greater care in selection of judges.

Too many judges turn in preposterous cards. Many are palpable "homers," some complete tyros.

The great need, as I see it, is for doing something about butting and its eye cut production.

Contrary to report, there is not now, anywhere, permission for surgeons to sew up eye cuts between rounds. There was some talk about it in Miami Beach and Sacramento, but the idea eventually was discarded as inadvisable. Reopening of a sewed up laceration would compound the injury, dangerously.



New York State Athletic Commission Chairman Eddie Dooley acts as a buffer between Joe Frazier and Cassius Clay at the signing of the two men for their heavyweight championship contest in New York. Each was guaranteed $2,500,000.

CLAY'S CASE APPARENTLY IMPROVED BY HIGH COURT; FRAZIER SERIES POSSIBLE

By DAN DANIEL

Jack Kent Cooke, millionaire owner of the Inglewood Forum, who was the guarantor of the Clay-Frazier bout staged at Madison Square Garden and who has the rights for a possible return engagement at his California arena.

SAID a leading light of the New York bar, "The Supreme Court of the United States is unpredictable, precocious and erratic. But I believe there is a hint of its leaning toward Cassius Clay in his appeal of the felony charge of which a Federal court adjudged him guilty for refusing to respect a draft into the Army.

"I would say that Clay's lawyer's having obtained the Supreme Court's consent to give him a hearing on Question 4 in Clay's case must be regarded as an important circumstance in the direction of the boxer's probable acquittal, and his being left to pursue his profession."

Question 4 has to do with Clay's insistence that he is exempt from the draft, as a Conscientious Objector.

Examination of Supreme Court action in similar cases would tend to hint that after more than three years, that tribunal may be ready to rule Clay free.

In any event, a decision in the case does not appear to be likely before June.

If Clay were denied a favorable verdict he would get 30 days in which to wind

Jersey Joe Walcott, shown here connecting with a left to Ezzard Charles' jaw during their third meeting. Charles had won the two previous bouts, but Jersey Joe won the heavyweight title this time by scoring a KO.

up his affairs, and, if under contract to fight, doubtless would be permitted to honor that commitment.

The Conscientious Objector issue, and Clay's insistence that he was a lay preacher for the Black Muslims, were raised in Cassius' first trial before Judge Joe Ingraham in the Federal Court at Houston. The Government and the Judge pointed out that Clay had brought up neither point before he was drafted.

The Supreme Court's announcement that it had granted a hearing to Clay on Question 4 came as a surprise. It had been assumed that the Court had become fully informed on all questions involved in that case and was ready to announce a final decision.

However, of a sudden one Monday morning, came the word that the Court had decided to hear what Cassius had to tell it on the CO question.

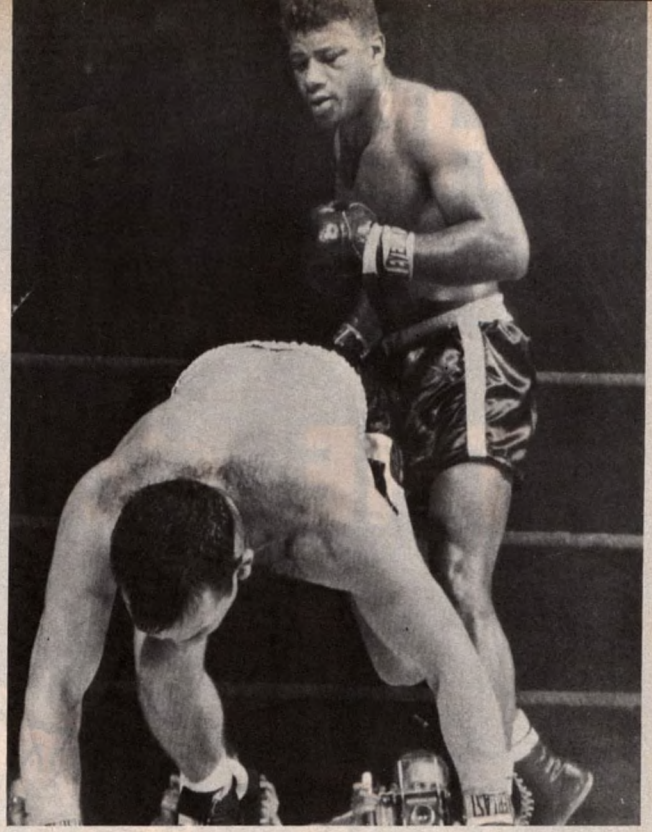
Why the Court took all that time to wake up on this question is something nobody on the outside knows, or can find out.

The august tribunal has kicked this case around as if it hates to get rid of it.

When it first got the Clay appeal it dallied and dallied and finally announced that the case had been returned to the Federal Courts to be judged minus any evidence which may have been obtained against Cassius through wire tapping and bugging.

George Foreman, who is quickly moving to the forefront of heavyweight contention. He may soon be fighting for the title.

The Federal Courts returned the case to the Supreme Court with the word that no evidence



Ingemar Johansson is on all fours as he is about to hit the deck after being swatted by Floyd Patterson in the sixth round of their Miami Beach bout. Patterson retained his crown via the KO route in this, the third engagement of their series, which had begun in 1959 with a Johansson triumph.

which might have been obtained surreptitiously had figured in a Houston jury's decision that Clay had been guilty of a felony in refusing the Army draft.

A telephone conversation Clay had had with Saudi Arabia was reported to have bothered his legal representatives.

Soon after this Clay's Civil Liberties lawyer, Charles Morgan, in Atlanta, was succeeded by a Chicago legal light, Chauncey Eskridge, who continues to represent him.

Clay's trial on the felony charge paid a lot of attention to the CO and other features of Question 4.

Clay's insistence that he merited exemption as a Muslim lay preacher may have been hurt by his return to the ring, for his third comeback effort, against Joe Frazier.

No longer did it appear likely that Muhammad Ali would fight for court recognition as a Muslim imam in the face of his new devotion to fistic business.

Clay's protestations that, as a Muslim and a follower of Mohammad of Mecca, and Elijah Muhammad of Chicago, he could not accept Army draft, were regarded as odd in view of the fact that Elijah's son, Herbert, had accepted Army service.

Just before the Supreme Court announced its willingness to review Question 4, Bill Brennan, the new president of the World Boxing Association, which had shorn Clay of the world title before his announced retirement, said that he, personally, would not favor listing Cassius as the world champion even if he were to stop Frazier.

This show of independence by a head of the WBA was in sharp contrast with the actions of many past presidents of that body.

Brennan's line of thought was that if Clay had been listed as unacceptable as a champion before his retirement, he could not be accepted in the future, in any circumstances.

The situation now was reminiscent of many to be found in the annals, opulent and otherwise, *(Continued on page 38)*

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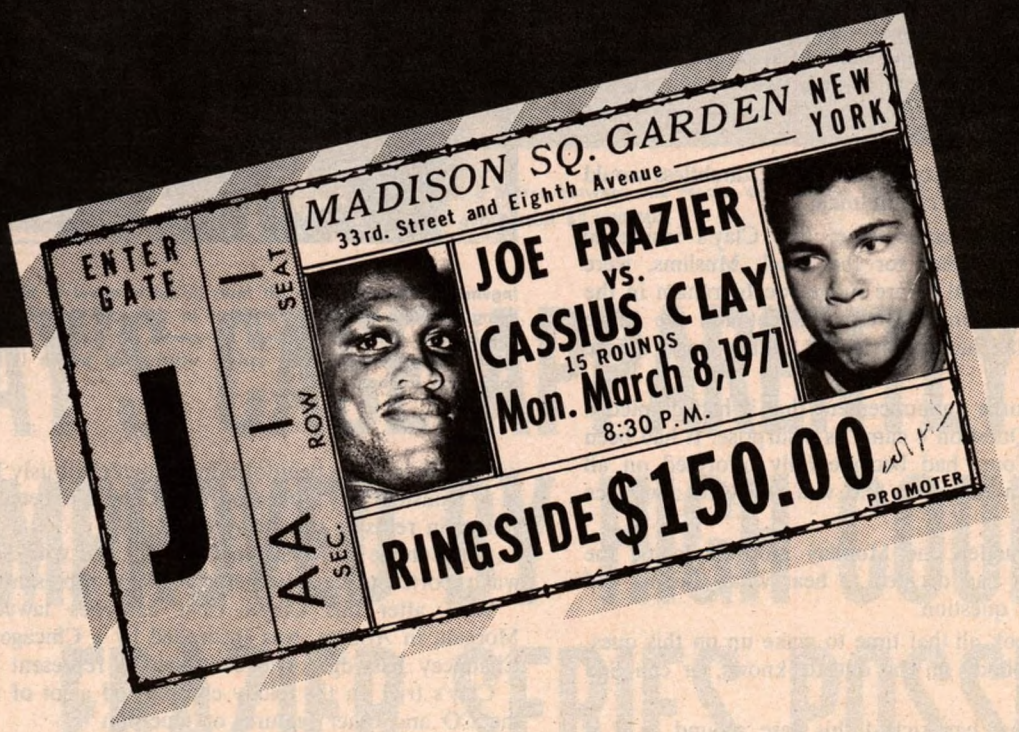


By DAN DANIEL

MANY years ago the far-seeing, crafty Mike Jacobs, then promoting fights in Madison Square Garden at West 49th Street in New York, said, "The time will come when big fights will be held in small halls with $100 tops, select patrons, and tremendous receipts from television."

Mike's prophecy was received with skepticism, and the impression that he was "seeing things."

Big-time boxing still was using baseball stadiums and other vast-capacity arenas, and relying strongly on gate receipts rather than those sources called "ancillary rights," which now greatly overshadow moneys from gate receipts.

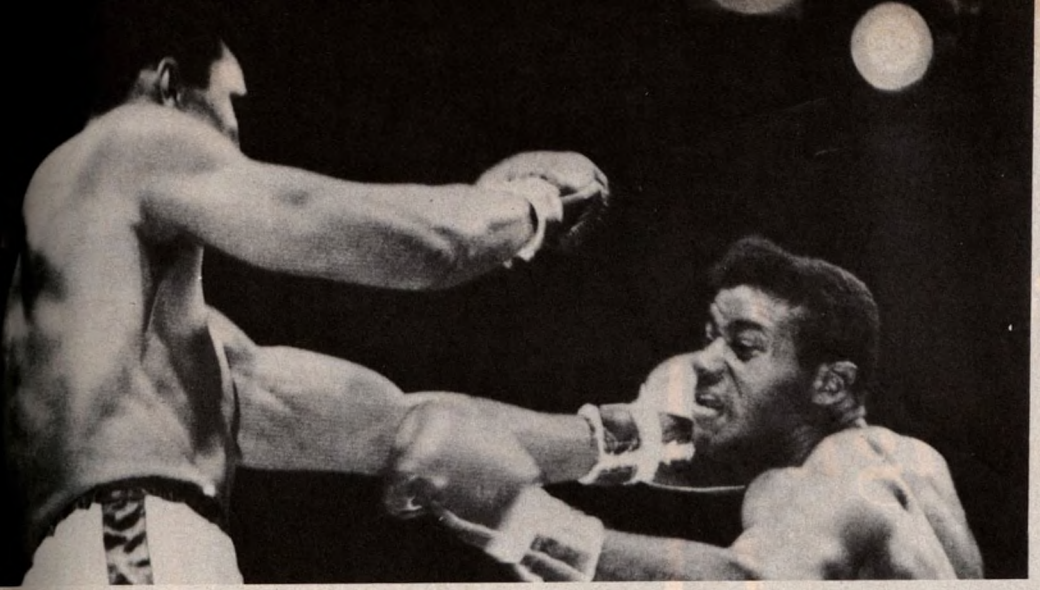
Jacobs' vision has become fact. The Frazier-Clay fight was set for Madison Square Garden. Yankee Stadium and Shea Stadium were bypassed without giving either of these locations a thought.

A fight involving $4,500,000 for a starter, with possible profits reaching into the stratosphere, was scheduled for an arena seating not more than 20,000, against the counter claims of Houston's domed stadium with its 70,000 potential for a fight.

Behind the promotion in New York was the promise of vast revenues from closed circuit, profits from movies, and bites out of various other enterprises connected with the contest, intimately and remotely.

The scale of prices for the Frazier-Clay fight ran from $150 for ringside, down to $20 for the rafters.

Both the maximum and the minimum set new records for world boxing.



(Left) A scene from the Clay-Patterson encounter in Las Vegas, in which Cassius stopped Floyd in 12. Ringsiders paid $100 to watch. (Below) Another match where $100 tops was charged was the Patterson-Johansson bout in New York in 1960, when Floyd became the first and only man to regain the heavyweight crown.

The previous high for a ringside seat was $100, a plutocratic figure achieved on June 19, 1946, with the second Louis-Conn fight, in Yankee Stadium. That night Conn, who had come close to taking the championship from Joe on June 19, 1941, was stopped in eight rounds. He had gone 13 in the 1941 fight.

The 1946 fight drew $1,925,564, with an attendance of 45,266 and was an anti-climax.

The first Dempsey-Tunney bout, in Philadelphia, which drew 120,757, had a top of only $27.50. In their return fight, in Chicago, with 104,043 in attendance, ringside seats at Soldier Field cost $40. Rickard had no ancillary revenues to speak of. There was no television.

Fights which rose to the $100 ringside level included the Clay-Patterson affair at Las Vegas, in which Floyd was stopped in 12 rounds; the second Patterson-Johansson match, in New York; and the Patterson-Liston fight in Chicago.

The records insist that when Clay stopped Liston in the first round at Lewiston, with an attendance of only 2,424 in a high school skating rink, ringside sold for $100. But the authenticity of that figure must be doubted. Tickets for that fight were selling for as little as $3 half an hour before the opening gong.

The last word in boxing gala was achieved with the $100 ringside fiesta on March 4, 1968, when the first fistic presentation in the new Madison Square Garden developed an 11-round KO by Joe Frazier over Buster Mathis, and Nino Benvenuti outpointed Emile Griffith for the middleweight championship.

The new arena was jammed to the roof and the $100 plutocrats got their money's worth in the action.

The $150 ringside for the Frazier-Clay fight owed its fantastic escalation to inflation, to the ballooning demands of the contestants, and the Garden's being forced to outbid Houston.

Details of the financial setup for the fight, in which the Garden had to accept a partnership with a Pacific Coast combination, with the guarantees of that outfit signed by a solid millionaire promoter, are too intricate to be of interest to the reader.

As the years roll along there is too great stress on money and not enough on big fights as tests of skill and stamina.

The inflation tendency has gone too far. When a man cannot buy a ticket for a heavyweight championship fight for less than $20 and is asked to go as high as $150 for a ringside seat, the course of fistic statistics has gone haywire.

For a buyer of a $150 ticket there is the usual gamble. He may see 15 rounds and 45 minutes of action. Or he may find himself on his way out before the end of the first round. Both of the Liston-Patterson fights ended inside three minutes.

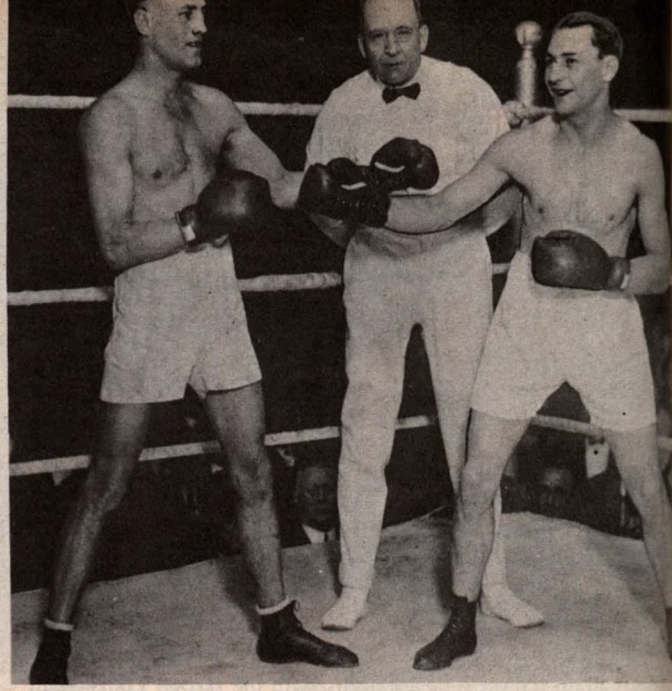
The sale of $150 ringside seats stems, to a great degree, from status seekers who want to show their opulent reservations as social assets.

The solid core of fight fans is only scantly represented among those who are able to pay $150 in the game of fistic roulette.

It will be interesting to see what the $20 to $150 scale does to fight demands in all classes, especially the heavyweight division.

That it can do anything good for boxing has to be proved. That it presented a rich reward for refusing to join the Army was evident from the Clay split.

"Greatest Fight I Ever Saw," Revives Spectacular Memories of Ring Staffers



Ritchie Mithcell (left) and Benny Leonard pose with referee Johnny Haukoff prior to their thrilling 1921 battle at the old Madison Square Garden, picked by Ring Editor Nat Fleischer as the "Greatest Fight I Ever Saw."

Leonard Stops Mitchell

By NAT FLEISCHER
Editor

WHEN one recollects the great fights one has seen, the first category that comes to mind is the heavyweight. The reason? International interest leans toward that group, and there is the factor of the KO.

Over the many years during which my major attention as a reporter has been focused on boxing, I have witnessed big fights in all parts of the world and none left a more indelible impression than that between Benny Leonard and Ritchie Mitchell in the old Madison Square Garden for the Ann Morgan Devastated France Fund.

The encounter lasted into the sixth round and was highlighted by three fewer knockdowns than the famous Firpo-Dempsey encounter at the Polo Grounds.

It was a contest between a ring master and a glove artist, and the ring master triumphed in as spectacular a battle as ever was waged. The affair was underway only a few seconds when Leonard whipped a right cross to Mitchell's cheek and down he went.

He was up in a groggy condition at nine, and was quickly dropped again. He got to his feet and was reeling when the bell came to his rescue. He went to his corner with the gore trickling from an ugly gash over the right eye.

Mitchell was floored again for an eight count. Leonard, eager for a kayo, lost his cool and accuracy.

Benny was now wide open for a desperation punch. It caught Benny over the heart and the champ stiffened in his tracks. Like a flash, his challenger crossed a right to the jaw and Leonard pitched to the floor.

He was hurt. Not until the referee reached three did Leonard try to get to his knees. The spectators were stunned. At the chant of six Benny got on his knees and he came up before the full count.

Mitchell, surprised, stood dumbfounded, while Leonard

quickly recovered. From here on, it was the great Leonard again.

In the sixth round, he had Mitchell primed for the kill and one of the greatest fights of modern ring history came to an end with a knockout.

Conn Almost Makes It

BY NAT LOUBET

Managing Editor

THE time was June 18, 1941, and the place was the Polo Grounds. It was the greatest fight I have ever seen—the first meeting between Joe Louis, heavyweight champion of the world, and Billy Conn.

At the time I was a member of the armed forces alerted for overseas duty and this June night was one of three to be spent in New York before shipment.

Everything about New York that warm night had special significance and every breath was cherished. Of all the harbored warm moments none more so than the 13 rounds I witnessed as presented by Pittsburgh Billy, who when the twelfth round was over had outboxed the Brown Bomber and was on his way to the heavyweight title.

Conn had given up his light heavyweight crown the previous year and if he won the next three rounds would be the first light heavyweight champion to win the heavyweight title.

The bell rang for round 13 and gadfly Billy dashed out of his corner. His jarring left jab once more found the almost defenseless jaw of the heavyweight champion.

Cocky, smiling, an Irish kid who felt that he had it made, Conn was the fresher and glided in and out. Louis sensed that his crown was slipping away from him.

Then it happened. Conn's smile twisted into a savage smirk. He came down off his toes and decided to slug it out with Joe.

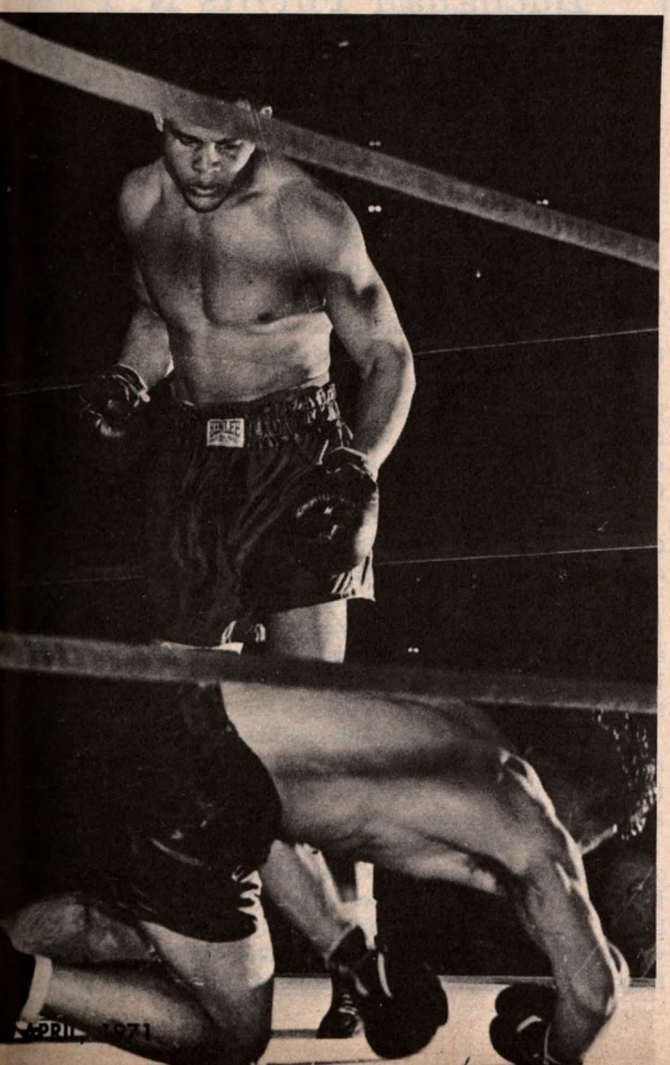
Tired and a beaten man, Louis took advantage of this minute in destiny. Two left uppercuts, a series of left jabs, and Conn was hurt.

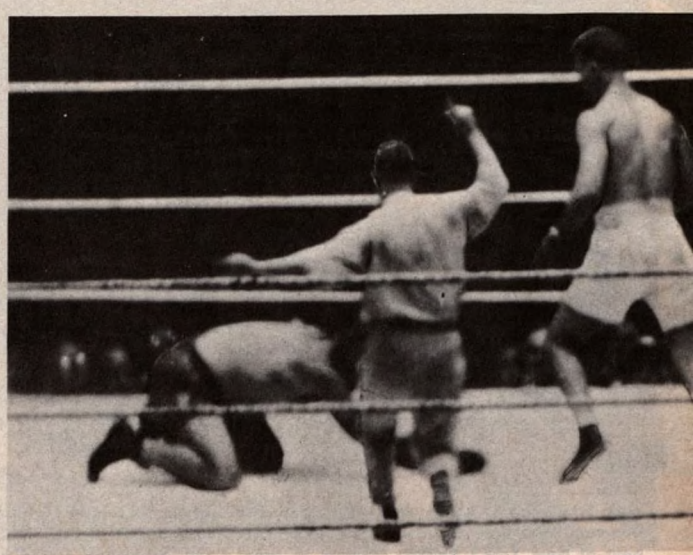
He had misjudged the heart of a fighting champion. Conn's confidence, courage and ego were his undoing.

His desire to knock out Joe Louis was his big mistake and he paid the price. He walked into a right and was on rubbery feet. A desperation right thrown by Louis landed flush on Billy's jaw and he went into a slow motion fall. He spun and sagged to the canvas.

Referee Eddie Joseph tolled away. With the ten count one second away Billy pulled himself to his feet. One look at Conn's glazed eyes and defenseless condition was enough for Joseph to halt the fight. The time was 2:58 of the 13th round. Louis was still the champion!

Down to stay is Billy Conn in the 13th round of his bout with heavyweight king Joe Louis in 1941. That skirmish was hailed by Ring Managing Editor Nat Loubet as the greatest fight he ever saw.





Luis Angel Firpo, the Wild Bull of the Pampas, is on the floor on one of his numerous trips to the canvas as Jack Dempsey rushes towards him. The September, 1923, battle was picked as the greatest fight they ever saw by Ring Associate Editor Dan Daniel and Contributing Editor Sam Taub.

Firpo Scares Dempsey

By DAN DANIEL

Associate Editor

THE writer saw Jack Dempsey carve the heavyweight championship out of Jess Willard at Toledo on July 4, 1919.

He saw Dempsey belted out of the Polo Grounds ring in New York by Luis Angel Firpo, and Jack's strident rally which

resulted in the second round knockout of the Wild Bull of the Pampas.

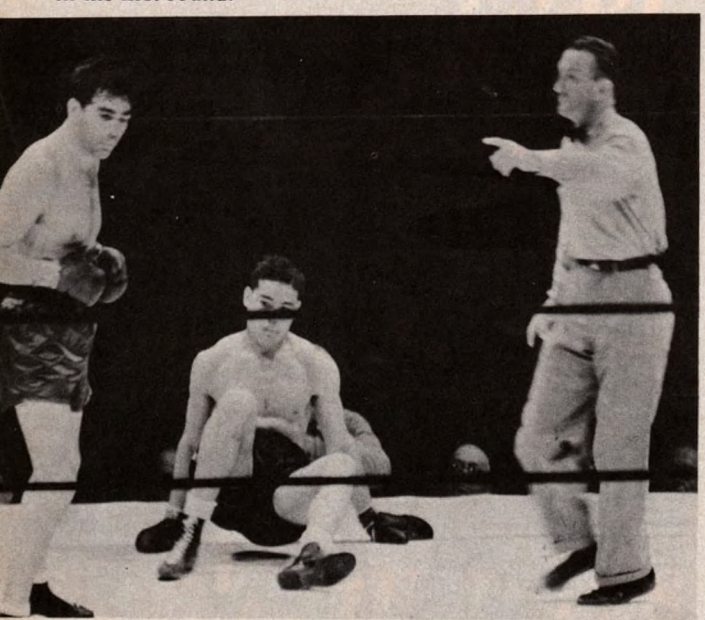
He was at the rain-soaked ringside the night Gene Tunney won the title from Dempsey at Philadelphia in September, 1926.

He witnessed the battle in which Max Schmeling stopped title-bound Joe Louis in 12 rounds in 1936, and Joe's revenge with a one-round KO of the Uhlan, with the championship at stake, in June, 1938.

Other fights on this pollster's "I was there" list include Benny Leonard's acquisition of the lightweight title from Freddie Welsh in May, 1917, in Manhattan Casino, adjacent to the Polo Grounds in New York; the three middleweight fights between Nino Benvenuti and Emile Griffith; Max Baer's eleven round, eleven knockdowns stoppage of Primo Carnera; Jimmy Braddock's all-time surprise victory over Max Baer; and Joe Louis' title-saving KO of Billy Conn.

These and several hundred other fights. But my most indelible impressions were acquired in the Dempsey-Firpo brawl. And the many meetings of Battling Hurley and Cy Smith back in the club-membership days in New York.

The Dempsey-Firpo fight was brief enough. It lasted scarcely five minutes. But it had impacts galore, the most memorable being Jack's four-point landing on Jack Lawrence's typewriter in the first round.



Max Schmeling is being directed to a neutral corner by referee Arthur Donovan after knocking down Joe Louis in the fourth round of their first bout at New York's Yankee Stadium in June, 1936. Schmeling scored a stunning 12-round KO in the contest selected by George Girsch, Assistant Managing Editor of The Ring, as the greatest fight he ever saw.

Louis Stunned by Max

By GEORGE GIRSCH

Assistant Managing Editor

THE greatest fight I ever saw was the first fight I ever saw. It was on June 19, 1936. My father took me to Yankee Stadium to see Joe Louis polish off Max Schmeling. Instead, I witnessed the startling sight of the heretofore invincible Brown Bomber humiliated by a 12-round knockout at the hands of the German ex-world champion.

We sat in reserved seats in the upper deck, overlooking the playing field where all my heroes of the day—Lou Gehrig, Joe DiMaggio, Red Ruffing and Lefty Gomez—plied their trade. I marveled at the setup of the ring, how it was placed near the pitcher's mound and second base, with the ringside seats on all four sides. How I envied the people who held those tickets and could trod on the hallowed grass where Ruth and Cobb and Speaker played.

I looked around in wonderment of how 88,000 people, still the record for an event at the Stadium, were able to be squeezed in the previous September to watch Louis stop Max Baer in four rounds.

For the first three rounds, it seemed to be a matter of time before Louis would catch up to Schmeling. Obviously, Louis was just biding his time. After all, he was an 8-1 favorite, wasn't he?

But, in the fourth round, Max connected with a tremendous right to Louis's jaw. Joe was never the same after that. A Schmeling right which landed after the bell was called the turning point by many. Louis seemed to be fighting strictly on instinct after that.

The methodical German, ever wary, would not take any chances, pecking away at Louis until the 12th round when he administered the coup de grace.

My father and I were stunned, as was mostly everybody else. But not so stunned that we couldn't wend our way down to the ringside seats, most of which had been vacated after the main event. We saw the semi-final in fine style as Al Gainer chopped Tony Galento's face into mincemeat, a fitting climax to the greatest fight I ever saw.

Buchanan Thrills N.Y.

By JOHN ORT

Assistant Editor

SOME of the greatest fights in the annals of the ring are mere entries, lifeless in the record books, if they found their way there at all. The reason? They were just wars, without title significance.

Usually a fight terminating in a knockout will fasten itself firmly in the recollection of a reporter.

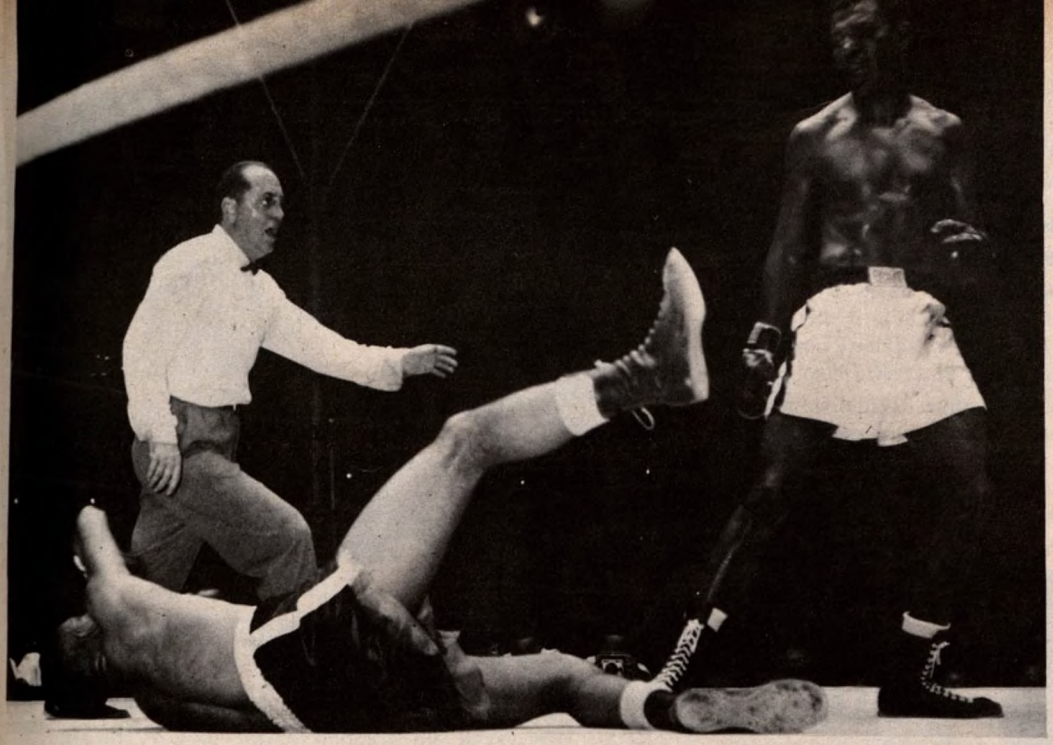
But, after all, the name of the game is boxing, so I will bypass the battles I have seen with the ten count as the winning factor, and devote my praise to Ken Buchanan, lightweight champion of the world, for his remarkable exhibition of boxing in his first appearance in the United States, against Donato Paduano.

They went 10 rounds in the semi-final to the bout in which Cassius Clay stopped Oscar Bonavena in the 15th round before a packed house in Madison Square Garden, as 1970 waned.

Buchanan's demonstration was a thing of beauty. It showed New York fans what boxing could achieve as a fine art. The smallish Scot was a will o' the wisp. He danced in to and around Paduano, who confessed his inability to cope with a technique seldom seen in any ring.

I cannot compare with oldtimers like Nat Fleischer in the matter of going back into the mystic annals of the sour science. But I doubt if even he ever saw another boxer make so dazzling a showing.

Perhaps Jem Driscoll and Abe Attell were as quick, as adroit and as hart to hit as Ken was that night. Let us not forget that Paduano was no stiff. Welter champion of Canada, Donato bore a high reputation himself as a clever boxer. But he almost was shut out by the man who had taken the lightweight title from Ismael Laguna, another master of hit and get away.



Ted Carroll, Contributing Editor, picked the Ray Robinson-Randy Turpin return match as the greatest fight he ever saw. Here we see Turpin down for a count of nine in the 10th round. A few moments later, Robby was awarded the victory via the TKO route.

I sat there entranced by the possibilities of scientific boxing as the Manly Art.

Robinson Blasts Turpin

By TED CARROLL
Contributing Editor

SELECTING the greatest fight I have ever seen poses a problem. From the standpoint of sustained action there were greater matches than the second Ray Robinson-Randy Turpin fight at the Polo Grounds in 1951 in New York. But I can reall none with a more dramatic ending.

Randy Turpin was a vastly underrated fighter. His defeat of Sugar Ray several months earlier in London had climaxed an impressive string of victories.

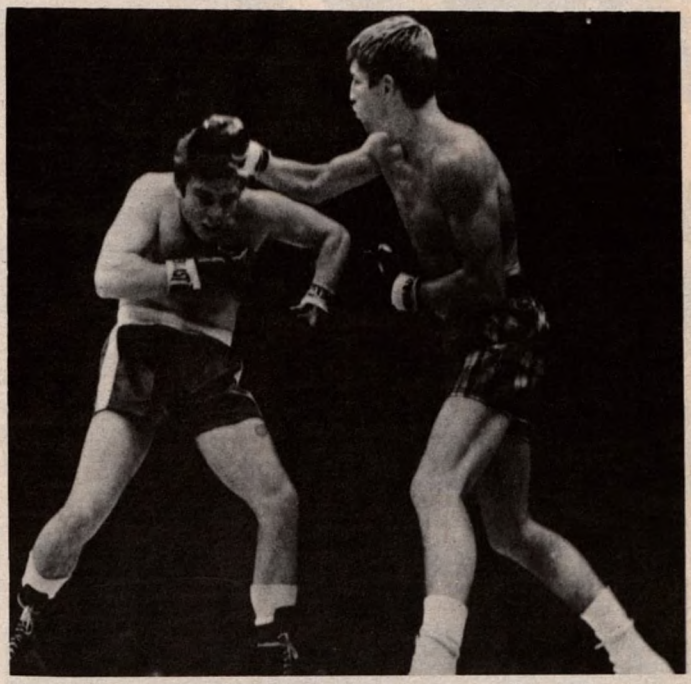
Up to the moment of its shattering finish the return match between Ray and the Briton had been waged on even terms. As the fight progressed it appeared that Robinson's chances of scoring a knockout were slim and that he would be hard pressed to eke out a decision over the awkwardly clever, strong and dangerous import.

Sugar Ray's prospects became even more desperate when he suffered a severe cut near the end of the ninth round. The between-the-rounds patch-up job proved to be far from adequate. Less than a minute after the start of the 10th round the cut began bleeding profusely.

With gory rivulets staining his features, Ray indomitably stepped up the pressure. Disdaining his classic style he moved in aggressively, threw a long right which nailed the Englishman as he was backing off, and toppled him. Turpin arose groggily at the count of eight and sagged limply against the ropes as Sugar Ray—the classic stylist suddenly turned tiger—blasted him with a fierce barrage.

Supported by the ropes and refusing to go down, Turpin appeared defenseless under the fusillade. At this point, with less than a minute of the 10th round remaining the referee halted the fight. He had to do it.

In the quarter century during which he followed the ring, Ray fought many epic battles. But this was his masterpiece. No champion ever responded more tremendously to a challenge.



Ken Buchanan (right), the Scottish dancing master, lands a right to the head of Donato Paduano during their 10-rounder at Madison Square Garden on the Clay-Bonavena card. John Ort, Assistant Editor of this publication, named that contest as the greatest he ever saw.

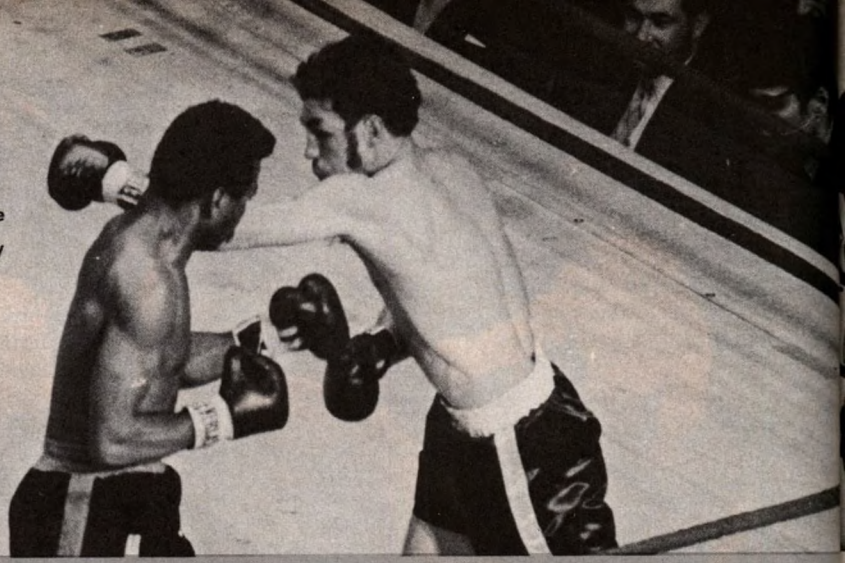
Jack Mauls the Bull

By SAM TAUB
Contributing Editor

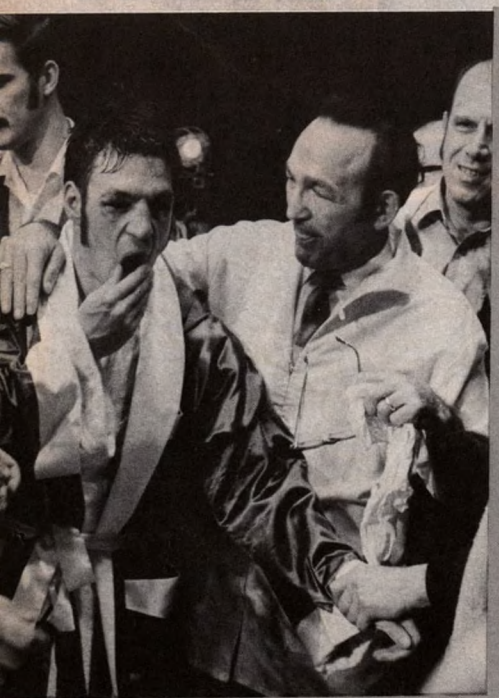
THE greatest fight I ever saw? That's a good question. However, my answer is simple.

It was the Jack Dempsey-Luis Angel Firpo heavyweight title match at the Polo Grounds on September 14, 1923.

There was drama in the ring, *(Continued on page 39)*



Billy Backus grazes Napoles' chin in the early going. Jose captured the first two rounds, but Billy took the play away from the transplanted Mexican in the third.



(Above) The new champion rubs his mouth as Uncle Carmen Basilio proudly looks and puts his arm around Billy. (Below) Backus' arm is raised by joyful admirers after he was declared the new world titleholder.

BACKUS WON TITLE BUT DIDN'T COLLECT A DIME

By BILL REDDY

SYRACUSE, N.Y.—Lightning, this time generated by the fists of 27-year-old Billy Backus, struck again here when, for the second time in a decade and a half, a fighter from little Canastota, N.Y. won the world welterweight championship.

Fight fans happily recall the accomplishments of Carmen Basilio, recently inducted into the Boxing Hall of Fame after winning the welterweight and middleweight titles in the middle '50s. Who would believe that Carmen's nephew would join him on the list of welter champs?

It came about swiftly, so swiftly that Jose Napoles, the defending champion and overwhelming favorite, couldn't believe it, Backus himself was left with the joyous remark that: "Christmas is here already," though the calendar showed that holiday more than three weeks away.

You had to be there to believe that Napoles, a proud and brilliant fighter, could succumb so suddenly to a brawling southpaw who, only three years earlier, had quit the ring in discouragement. This, along with many other facets in Backus' career, paralleled that of his famous uncle.

A deep gash over the left eye, which, Napoles insisted, had been laid open by a butt, blinded the Cuban-born champion who now makes Mexico his home. The scheduled 15-round bout for the world welterweight title was stopped after just 10 minutes of action. The end for Napoles—and the fulfillment of Backus's dream—came with just one minute gone in the fourth round.

Although the bout ended in a gory mess, Backus' victory hardly may be classed as a fluke. It was preceded by one of the greatest three minutes of fighting that the Onondaga War Memorial ring yet has seen.

In the third round, after Napoles' sharpshooting had won the first two heats, the man from Canastota and the idol of Mexico stood toe to toe, slugging it out. Both fighters were gory from cuts alongside their eyes.

In this series of exchanges, Napoles looked every inch a champion—and Backus matched and overmatched him. It was Backus who landed the most telling punch of the scores

Here is the scene in Napoles' corner after the bout was stopped. Napoles' eye is being looked at by a second. Basilio can be seen coming over to talk about the ending.

of wallops traded. Napoles took a shot on the chin, midway through the round, which buckled his knees and almost floored him.

When the third round ended, commission physician Dr. Armand Cincotta, examined Napoles and found the eyebrow and eyelid of his left eye badly lacerated.

Jose's cornermen worked hard to stop the flow, and they succeeded temporarily, but the doctor advised referee Jack Milicich—"Watch that eye. If it gets any worse, stop it."

One solid punch—after Napoles had landed a pair of beauties—was enough to start the gore again, and Milicich, noting that Napoles no longer could see to protect himself, halted the fight.

Napoles weighed 144½, Backus 145½. It was Jose's fourth defense of the title he won by knocking out Curtis Cokes on April 18, 1969.

The bout brought a fine payday for the loser, but meant only a chance for future income in the Backus financial picture.

A turnout of 4,298 paid sent gross receipts of $55,515 into the coffers of the Canastota Boxing Club, which thus took another financial bath en route to the Backus title.

The net receipts of $48,559.25 couldn't match the $62,000 guarantee given to Napoles for risking his title.

Backus was in for 18½ per cent, but even 100 per cent of nothing is still nothing. Napoles' guarantee, including $2,000 for expenses, was augmented by a special close-circuit TV network, which beamed the fight to Los Angeles, Mexico City, and four other West Coast sites.

Coast promoter George Parnassus having set up the network. Napoles' share was estimated as high as an additional $30,000 for a grand total of $94,000. Backus got none of this, but the Canastota Club received a modest pickup from an Eastern radio network by Mutual, with Syracuse blacked out. This reportedly was worth $6,000 to the promoters.

Napoles, who came into the ring with a record of 59 wins and only four losses, had been stopped just once before, and that, too, had been because of cuts. L. C. Morgan stopped Jose Aug. 22, 1966, in the third round of a fight in Reynosa.

A high-school dropout who realized the error of his ways, Backus went into construction work when he left school, but returned to night school later and earned his high school diploma.

Backus is the second southpaw to win the world welter crown, the other having been Young Corbett III, who achieved it in 1933. Billy is the 17th lefthander to win a world boxing title.

Strangely, Carmen Basilio was a natural southpaw, but he was "turned around" in the gym and fought his pro career as a righthander. Like Backus, Basilio dropped out of boxing for a while in discouragement before returning to battle his way to the throne.

Basilio is given much credit, by Backus and others, for Billy's rise to the championship. Although the two always have been friendly, it was only in recent years that Carmen took a keen interest in his nephew's ringwork.

For this bout, Basilio donned ring togs and worked steadily with Backus, improving his style and apparently teaching him how to add power to his punches. At any rate, many thought they had never before seen Backus punch so powerfully as he did to whip Napoles.

Carmen was in Billy's corner, and his advice to switch tactics, particularly in using his right more regularly, made the difference.

For Canastota, a town of about 5,000 some 20 miles east of Syracuse, the Backus victory was a joyous affair. It was in Canastota that Basilio was born and started to develop his stamina as an onion picker in the field surrounding that town. Carmen now lives in Chittenango, about 10 miles closer to Syracuse, but most of Basilio's family, including his father and mother still live in Canastota.

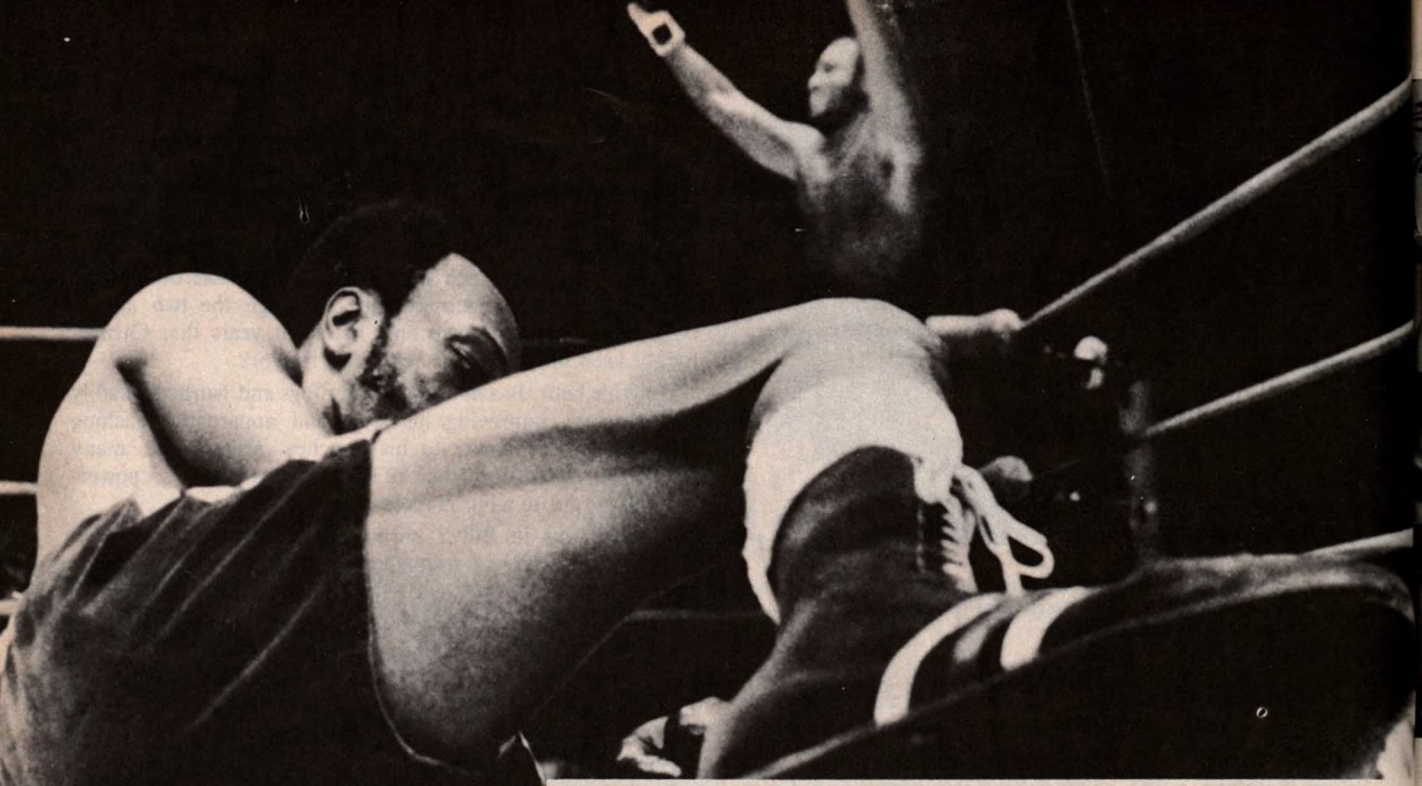
Backus, still a resident of Canastota, is a happy family man. His wife Peggy was at ringside for the bout, along with many others from his home area. They have three children, John 9, Sandra 6, and Jeff, 4.

Who ever heard of a champion named Harold? That's what somebody asked a long time ago. On hand to congratulate Backus was his father, Harold, and it was learned that Billy's first name, no longer used, also is Harold.

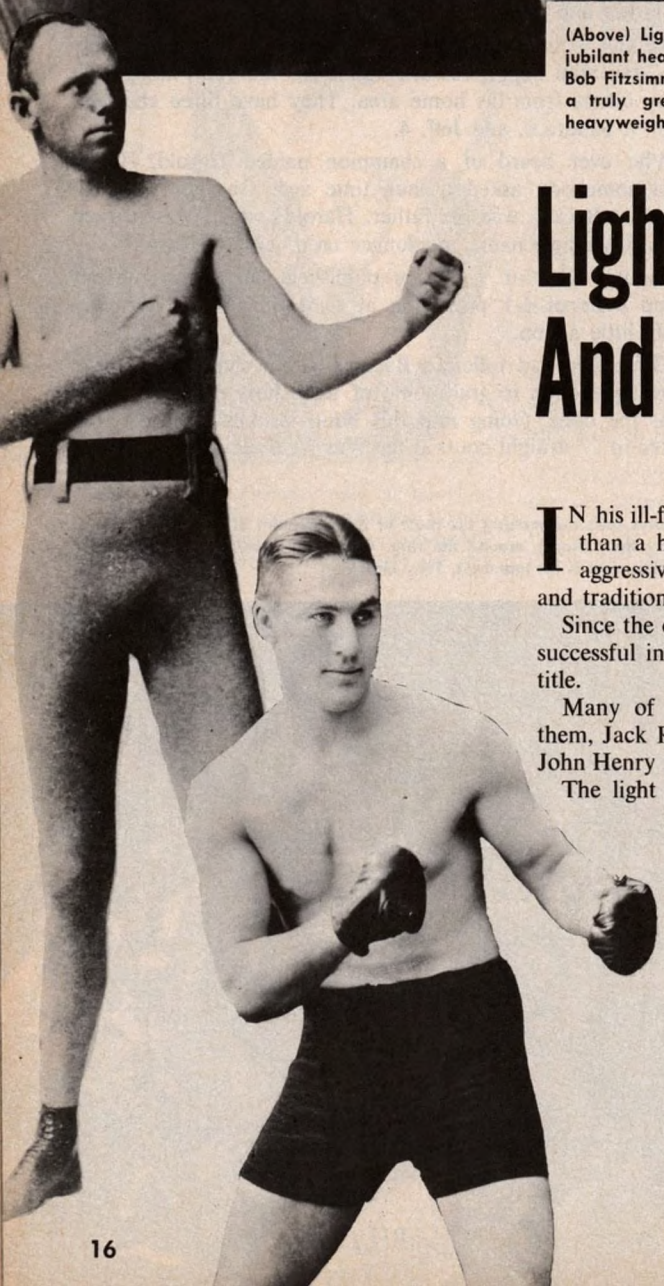
Though odds of 9-1 were published, this correspondent found odds of 4-1 prevailing at fight time, with comparatively little action.

Those who had followed Backus' career should have been knowing enough to grab some of that short end, no matter what the odds. Going into this bout, Backus had been unbeaten in 17 straight bouts at the War *(Continued on page 39)*

Backus fans are making the most of their moment of triumph as they carry their champ around the ring. Gent in foreground wearing Billy Backus shirt is his manager, Tony Graziano.



(Above) Light heavyweight king Bob Foster is dazed and unable to rise after being stopped by jubilant heavyweight champion Joe Frazier in the second round of their meeting in Detroit. (Left) Bob Fitzsimmons, who won light heavy laurels from George Gardner. (Below left) Tommy Loughran, a truly great boxer, who held 175-pound crown from 1927 to 1929, when he became a heavyweight.



Light Heavies Can't Do It And Foster Learns Early

By JERSEY JONES

IN his ill-fated outing against Joe Frazier in Detroit, lanky Bob Foster faced more than a human opponent—even though that opponent was a powerful, durable, aggressive, thunderous-punching heavyweight champion. Foster, bucking history and tradition, was overwhelmed by the combination.

Since the creation of the division in 1903, no light heavyweight champion has been successful in his effort to move up with the bigger ones and annex the heavyweight title.

Many of the ring's outstanding leather-pushers have tried, and failed. Among them, Jack Root, Philadelphia Jack O'Brien, Georges Carpentier, Tommy Loughran, John Henry Lewis, Billy Conn and Archie Moore. Now, Bob Foster.

The light heavyweight division came into being as a publicity stunt. Lou Housman, a Chicago newspaperman, moonlighting as a fight manager, was handling Jack Root, actually an overblown middleweight. Housman felt it was too much of a weight gap from middleweight to heavyweight, and conceived the idea of a class between the two.

The middleweight limit at the time was 154 pounds, while the average heavyweight scaled from 180 to 200.

When he interested Detroit promoters in matching Root with the veteran Kid McCoy, Housman set 175 as the poundage for the bout, and had the promoters advertise it as for the newly-created light heavyweight title. Root won the decision. The bout went its scheduled ten rounds, April 22, 1903.

Through the years, the laurels have been held in succession by George Gardner, Bob Fitzsimmons, Philadelphia Jack O'Brien, Jack Dillon, Battling *(Continued on page 46)*

SHIBATA-SAIJYO FEATHER MATCH HAS JAPAN AGOG

By JOE Y. KOIZUMI

TOKYO, Japan—Fans outside of Japan cannot possibly realize the elation of boxing followers in this country stemming from Kuniaki Shibata's winning the world featherweight championship by stopping the supposedly invincible Vicente Saldivar.

From Mexico came the information that Saldivar had lost his zest for fighting and was not in the best mental and physical condition for a tough foe like Shibata.

Be that as it may, the fact remains that Shibata has the title which Saldivar took back from Johnny Famechon. Japan has not only a world champion, but the prospect of a great contest when Shibata meets Shozo Saijyo, whose counter claim to the title is not clear but has the odd backing of the WBA.

In the meantime, Japanese fans are examining Shibata all over again, to determine his real rating and to review his personal claims to atttention.

Shibata is a new fighter as of the KO over Saldivar. He has come a long way since he became a pro in 1967. He made his debut on January 15 that year, with a 10-round decision over Alberto Reyes. Another 10-round win, over Kim Hyun, followed.

Shibata had five in a row when he ran into a real surprise, a two-round KO by Li Long Bak.

In his greatest moment of glory, Shibata is hugged by his manager, Kenji Yonekura, after stopping Saldivar in the 13th round of their title bout at Tijuana, Mexico.

Two KO victories, against Soo Bok Kwon and Tiny Palacio made it appear that Shibata had recovered from his temporary setback.

Although a rookie, Shibata took on the American Dwight Hawkins, then at his crest, and got a KO defeat in seven rounds for his boldness.

Two more wins again made it look as if Shibata had recovered. But he was stunned by a six-round knockout by Hubert Kang, Orient feather champion, on January 15, 1969.

That was Shibata's last defeat until he ran into his jinx, Kang, again on January 15, 1970. The Korean stopped Kunio in six rounds.

Since that setback, Shibata has won four and drawn one. The draw was with Joe Acosta last July.

Looking over Shibata's record fast, one might get the impression that a man who in four years of boxing has been stopped four times and held to a draw once. is not title material.

However, the Shibata of today gave Saldivar a sound walloping and has to be highly respected in the feather-weight company.

There are bids for Shibata *(Continued on page 46)*

LISTON CARRIED MANY SECRETS TO HIS GRAVE

By JERSEY JONES

NEVER before in the history of the heavyweight championship did the vital statistics concerning a world titleholder present the mysteries which attached to Charles Sonny Liston, who took the crown from Floyd Patterson on September 25, 1962 in Chicago, and lost it to Cassius Clay on February 25, 1964, at Miami Beach.

The exact dates of Liston's birth and his demise are not known. He carried these secrets, and many others, to the grave with him.

Liston kept insisting that he was only 38 years of age, and placed the date of his birth in St. Francis County, Arkansas, on May 8, 1932.

Since Liston was found dead in his Las Vegas home days after he had passed away, the date of his farewell cannot be arrived at with certainty.

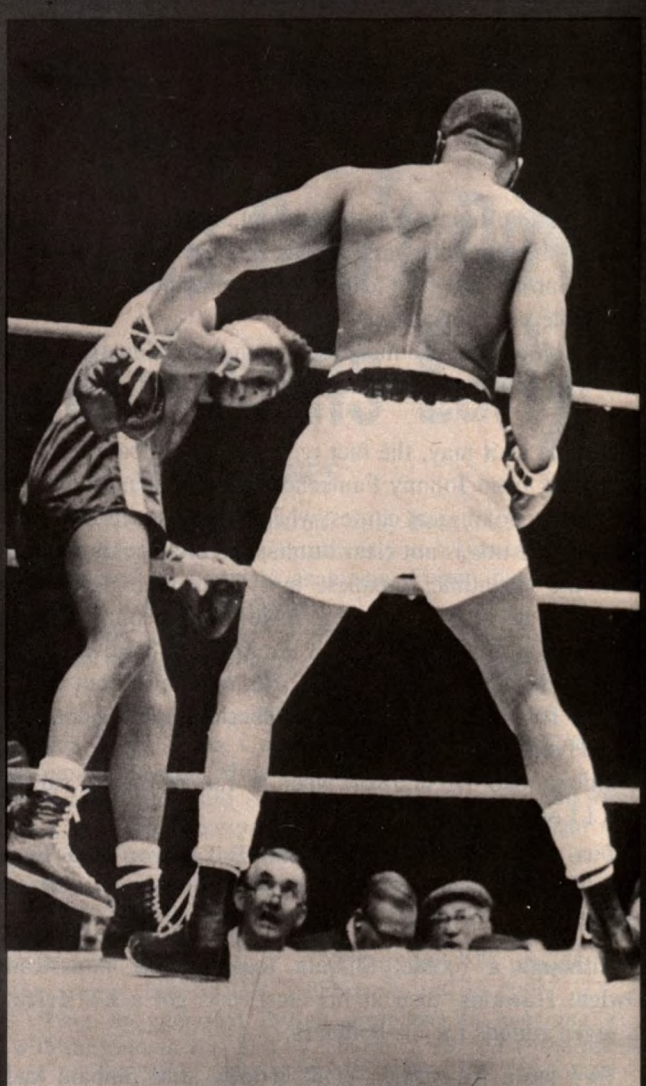
And so it was that one of the most controversial figures in the annals of the ring was wiped out of the ratings by the inexorable blows of the ever victorious foe.

Liston died with one public distinction, if distinction it was. He was the only heavyweight champion barred from New York State.

Mike Parkhurst, who says he handled Charley's fistic and other affairs these last several years, told THE RING that Liston definitely was only 38 years of age, and that his recorded date of birth, May 8, 1832, was correct.

"There is a possibility that Sonny was confused with his boxer cousin, Sailor Liston, who fought around 1934," Parkhurst added.

"The report that he is survived by a daughter 25 years of age is erroneous. She is the daughter of Mrs. Liston by an earlier marriage.



(Left) The late Sonny Liston in his familiar fighting pose. (Above) Floyd Patterson falls into the ropes after taking a hard left from Liston. It was all over in a very few moments as Liston put Floyd away in the first round to win the heavyweight title in one round at Chicago in 1962.

Liston is presented with his heavyweight championship belt by Nat Fleischer, editor and publisher of The Ring, back in 1963, when he was training for his second contest with Patterson, in Las Vegas.

Patterson is about to hit the canvas for the second time in the first round of his second encounter with Liston. After three knockdowns, it was all over after 2 minutes, 10 seconds of action.

"I will say that many rated fighters would have none of Sonny. The leader of this crew was Jerry Quarry.

"One thing is definite. Sonny was not a narcotics addict."

At no time could Liston obtain a license in the Empire State.

Gen. Melvin Krulewitch, chairman of the New York Commission, said that he had evidence of Liston's association with men of questionable reputation and, in denying him a license, the New York Commission was acting in protection of boxing.

There was a lot of support for Liston. Hundreds of letters to THE RING pleaded that he had "paid his debt to society."

But Charley had to go to Miami Beach to defend his title against Clay. He had won the championship in Chicago and beaten Patterson a second time in Las Vegas.

Whether he was 38, or 44, as most boxing authorities believed him to be, the mysterious passing of Liston in his $50,000 home in Las Vegas supplied further confirmation to the contention that world heavyweight champions enjoy a longer life than do competitors in other athletic fields.

One would assume that in a violent contact profession such as fist-tossing, terrestrial existence would be comparatively brief. But the records tend to prove otherwise. Of the many heavyweight champions dating back to John L. Sullivan, eleven are still up and about, with Jack Dempsey the senior survivor at the age of 75

Those who've had the final counts droned over them were John L. Sullivan at 60; Jim Corbett 67, Bob Fitzsimmons 79, Jim Jeffries 78, Marvin Hart 57, Tommy Burns 74, Jack Johnson 68, Jess Willard 88, Max Baer 50, and Rocky Marciano 46. Marciano and Johnson died in accidents.

Thus, even at 44, Liston was the youngest heavyweight champion to have the final curtain dropped on him.

The age question had long plagued the Big Ugly Bear. as Clay dubbed him. Some years ago, when Sonny was training in a Las Vegas gymnasium, a reporter asked him how old he actually was. An annoyed Liston blasted him with: "Anybody who says I'm more than 35 is making my mother a liar."

Sonny was the 24th of 25 offspring born to a father married for the second time. He arrived on this mundane sphere on a dilapidated cotton farm near Little Rock. From an impoverished childhood, filled with hatred, insecurity and distrust, he became a juvenile delinquent.

By the time Charley was 18 he had been convicted of six mugging and was en route to Missouri State Penitentiary for robbing a gas station in St. Louis. It was the first of two prison sentences he served. *(Continued on page 36)*

Liston's last bout was a nine-round TKO over Chuck Wepner in Jersey City last June 29. Here is a scene from the bloody brawl, the blood all flowing from the cut-prone Wepner.

WORLD RATINGS

By NAT FLEISCHER

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOE FRAZIER, Philadelphia, Pa.

1—**CASSIUS CLAY**, Louisville, Ky.
2—**GEORGE FOREMAN**, Hayward, Calif.
3—**OSCAR BONAVENA**, Argentina
4—**JERRY QUARRY**, Los Angeles, Cal.
5—**MAC FOSTER**, Fresno, Calif.
6—**HENRY COOPER**, England
7—**GEORGE CHUVALO**, Canada
8—**JOSE IBAR URTAIN**, Spain
9—**JOSE LUIS GARCIA**, Venezuela
10—**FLOYD PATTERSON**, New York, N.Y.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
BOB FOSTER, Washington, D.C.

1—**JIMMY DUPREE**, Jersey City, N.J.
2—**VICENTE RONDON**, Venezuela
3—**GOMEO BRENNAN**, Bahamas
4—**HAL CARROLL**, Syracuse, N. Y.
5—**DICK TIGER**, Nigeria
6—**MARK TESSMAN**, Houston, Texas
7—**PIERO DEL PAPA**, Italy
8—**LARRY BUCK**, Seattle, Wash.
9—**RON MARSH**, Shawnee, Kan.
10—**MIKE QUARRY**, Los Angeles, Calif.

ADOLPH PRUITT FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

ONCE in a while it happens that the Fighter of the Month is not only a non-champion, but hardly one of the world's fistic elite of the decade.

It is to a member of that category that the Fighter of the Month designation is awarded currently. The man is Adolph Pruitt, of St. Louis, who will be found in the No. 3 niche among the contenders for Billy Backus's welterweight championship.

Adolph achieved the Fighter of the Month prize with a thorough victory over Hedgemon Lewis, of Detroit.

Hedgemon entered the ring labeled No. 3 among the welter leaders and Pruitt, with perhaps the finest performance of his career, gave the Michigander a vehement trouncing.

Inspection of the welter ratings behind Backus shows Jose Napoles, who lost the title to the Syracuse fighter, No. 1 with Percy Pugh No. 2 and then Pruitt.

The 1970 ratings locate Pruitt No. 2 contender among the junior welters but Adolph now is fighting in the 147-pound division.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CARLOS MONZON, Argentina

1—**NINO BENVENUTI**, Italy
2—**EMILE GRIFFITH**, New York, N.Y.
3—**LUIS RODRIGUEZ**, Miami Beach, Fla.
4—**JUAN CARLOS DURAN**, Italy
5—**DOYLE BAIRD**, Akron, O.
6—**PIERRE FOURIE**, South Africa
7—**CARMELO BOSSI**, Italy
8—**NESSIM COHEN**, France
9—**FRASER SCOTT**, Seattle, Wash.
10—**DENNY MOYER**, Portland, Ore.

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
BILLY BACKUS, Syracuse, N.Y.

1—**JOSE NAPOLES**, Mexico
2—**PERCY PUGH**, New Orleans, La.
3—**ADOLPH PRUITT**, St. Louis, Mo.
4—**ERNIE LOPEZ**, Las Vegas, Nev.
5—**ROBERT GALLOIS**, France
6—**HEDGEMON LEWIS**, Detroit, Mich.
7—**DONATO PADUANO**, Canada
8—**RALPH CHARLES**, England
9—**MARCEL CERDAN**, France
10—**ROGER MENETREY**, France

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
NICOLINO LOCHE, Argentina

1—**BRUNO ARCARI**, Italy
2—**EDDIE PERKINS**, Chicago, Ill.
3—**BUNNY GRANT**, Jamaica
4—**JOAO HENRIQUE**, Brazil
5—**ENRIQUE JANA**, Argentina
6—**JIMMY ROBERTSON**, San Francisco, Cal.
7—**LION FURUYAMA**, Japan
8—**ELY YARES**, Philippines
9—**SANDRO LOPOPOLO**, Italy
10—**GIL KING**, Akron, Ohio

The past month saw a post-Christmas near-recess among boxers around the world and, as a consequence, few important changes in the ratings.

The heavyweight listings were only scantily affected and that not so much because of results as of the death of Sonny Liston. He had been rated No. 7 for 1970.

With the onetime world champion eliminated, the heavyweight list assumed this appearance behind champion Joe Frazier: 1, Cassius Clay; 2, George Foreman; 3, Oscar Bonavena; 4, Jerry Quarry; 5, Mac Foster; 6, Henry Cooper; 7, George Chuvalo; 8, Jose Ibar Urtain 9, Jose Luis Garcia; 10, Floyd Patterson.

Ellis and the still stunned Boone Kirkman linger on the ouside, looking in.

Much as the heavyweight division was unaffected by action of the past month, the light heavy section was even more pacific.

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1971

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
KEN BUCHANAN, Scotland

1—**ISMAEL LAGUNA**, Panama
2—**PEDRO CARRASCO**, Spain
3—**CARLOS HERNANDEZ**, Venezuela
4—**MANDO RAMOS**, Long Beach, Calif.
5—**AL FORD**, Canada
6—**MIGUEL VELAZQUEZ**, Spain
7—**SUGAR RAMOS**, Mexico
8—**SHINICHI KADOTA**, Japan
9—**CHANGO CARMONA**, Mexico
10—**ANTONIO CERVANTES**, Colombia

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
HIROSHI KOBAYASHI, Japan

1—**RUBEN NAVARRO**, Los Angeles, Cal.
2—**YOSHIAKI NUMATA**, Japan
3—**ANTONIO AMAYA**, Panama
4—**RENE BARRIENTOS**, Philippines
5—**FRANK OTERO**, Miami Beach, Fla.
6—**SAMMY GOSS**, Trenton, N.J.
7—**FRANKIE CRAWFORD**, Los Angeles, Cal.
8—**ARMANDO MENDOZA**, Venezuela
9—**JOSE ACOSTA**, Venezuela
10—**HIROSHI SHOJI**, Japan

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
KUNIAKI SHIBATA, Japan

1—**SHOZO SAIJYO**, Japan
2—**VICENTE SALDIVAR**, Mexico
3—**JOSE LEGRA**, Spain
4—**ANTONIO GOMEZ**, Venezuela
5—**RAUL CRUZ**, Mexico
6—**EDER JOFRE**, Brazil
7—**JIMMY REVIE**, England
8—**ERNESTO MARCEL**, Panama
9—**RICARDO ARREDONDO**, Mexico
10—**JOSE LUIS PIMENTEL**, San Antonio, Tex.

The WBA ordered Bob Foster to defend his title, but promoters failed to scurry for the offering against No. 1 contender Jimmy Dupree.

A realignment of the middleweights produced very little disturbance.

In the lightweight division room was made for Antonio Cervantes, of Mexico, as No. 10. Cervantes shoved Raul Montoya out of the Top Ten.

The feathers were left undisturbed, with Shojo Saijyo and Vicente Saldivar behind champion Kuniaki Shibata.

Among the bantams, this is the new lineup behind new titleholder Chucho Castillo: 1, Ruben Olivares 2, Jesus Pimentel; 3, Franco Zurlo; 4, Ramon Bravo; 5, Rafael Herrera; 6, Rodolfo Martinez, down from No. 2; 7, Takao Sakurai; 8, the erratic Alan Rudkin; 9, Ushiwakamaru Harada; 10, Enrique Pinder.

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CHUCHO CASTILLO, Mexico

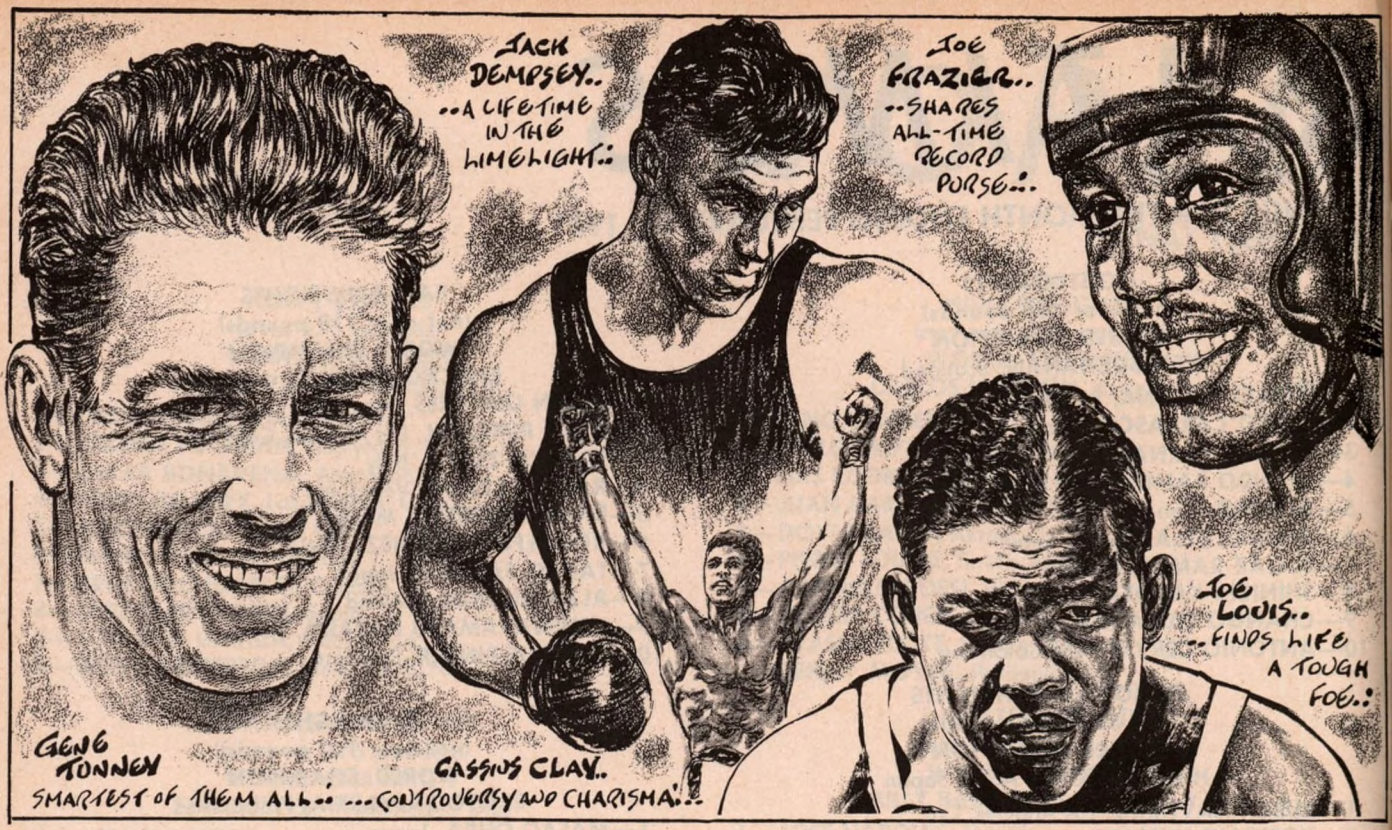
1—**RUBEN OLIVARES**, Mexico
2—**JESUS PIMENTEL**, Los Angeles, Calif.
3—**FRANCO ZURLO**, Italy
4—**RAMON BRAVO**, Venezuela
5—**RAFAEL HERRERA**, Mexico
6—**RODOLFO MARTINEZ**, Mexico
7—**TAKAO SAKURAI**, Japan
8—**ALAN RUDKIN**, England
9—**USHIWAKAMARU HARADA**, Japan
10—**ENRIQUE PINDER**, Panama

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ERBITO SALVARRIA, Philippines

1—**MASAO OHBA**, Japan
2—**CHARTCHAI CHIONOI**, Thailand
3—**EFREN TORRES**, Mexico
4—**OCTAVIO GOMEZ**, Mexico
5—**BETULIO GONZALEZ**, Venezuela
6—**LORENZO GUTIERREZ**, Mexico
7—**BERKRERK CHARTVANCHAI**, Thailand
8—**ORLANDO AMORES**, Panama
9—**RICARDO DELGADO**, Mexico
10—**CESAR DESIGA**, Mexico

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

Names	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHT						
Lee Jim Elder, Leveland, Texas	2/70	10	8	1	1	8
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT						
Ricardo Williams, Austin, Texas	5/69	11	10	1	0	3
MIDDLEWEIGHT						
Stanley Yanechek, Czechoslovakia	9/70	6	5	0	1	4
WELTERWEIGHT						
James Caffey, Canton, Ohio	1/70	11	10	1	0	9
LIGHTWEIGHT						
David Diaz, Los Angeles, Cal.	2/70	8	8	0	0	3
FEATHERWEIGHT						
Samuel Serrano, Puerto Rico	11/69	7	7	0	0	2
BANTAMWEIGHT						
Ben Rodriguez, Los Angeles, Cal.	8/70	5	5	0	0	4
FLYWEIGHT						
Vigornio Sacristan, Philippines	1/67	27	25	1	1	8



Want to Live Long and Be Fame's Close Pal? Win Heavyweight Title

By TED CARROLL

NO human being, whatever his prominence in his chosen field, enjoys a celebrity superior to that of the heavyweight champion of the world. The names of most heads of states are unknown to millions familiar with the identity of the fighter who occupies the heavyweight throne. This is especially true if he is an outstanding champion or a colorful one.

Nor is the fame of the world's top fighting man ephemeral or fleeting. The sudden passing of a former heavyweight King—Sonny Liston—is front page headlined throughout the world.

A father's lingering fame as an undefeated heavyweight champion of the world facilities the election of a rising young political figure—John V. Tunney—to the United States Senate. Like his father, Gene Tunney, when he faced Jack Dempsey, 45 years ago Senator Tunney was a definite underdog who won against the odds.

The scope of the world heavyweight championship goes far beyond mere adulation and world wide fame.

The possibilities of converting the championship charisma into good hard cash are limitless, as proven by the five million dollar guarantee extended to Joe Frazier and Cassius Clay. There is no similar instance of such a staggering amount of money being paid to two individuals for any comparable service.

Five million dollars! This payment of $2,500,000 each to the two fighters demonstrates that the heavyweight champion of the world stands in splendid isolation above and beyond all performers and participants in allied fields.

With this unprecedented payment having established their uniqueness among all men, the Golden Dozen of heavyweight champions, both former and active—their ranks reduced from an unlucky 13 by Sonny Liston's recent death — warrants added attention.

Twelve surviving world heavyweight champions is an unusually large number. Some would include Jimmy Ellis among

these and those who feel this way have a good case since the built-up-ex-middleweight from Louisville won his claim to the crown in a well conducted tournament recognized by the W.B.A., in which he defeated formidable opposition. Since Joe Frazier did not participate in the round Robin, Ring Magazine withheld recognition from Ellis as world champion. This position proved to be justified when Frazier demonstrated complete superiority over Ellis by knocking him out in five rounds and winning universal recognition.

Regardless of the length of their retirements, their reputations are such that the champions remain newsworthy and their fortunes—often in strong contrast—are never ignored by the news media.

In recent years, fate has been an unrelenting foe for Ezzard Charles, culminating its onslaught on this former titleholder with a wheelchair illness which has immobilized him for many months. At present living in Chicago, Charles has been placed on the payroll of one of the official bodies working with youth in the mid-western city.

Strangely, Charles, a man of reserved manner in his glory days is described as of unusually cheery disposition, continually smiling even though speech is difficult for him.

Ezzard is duly grateful for the blessing of life alone. Another reason for his optimism could be the belated recognition which at last is coming his way as one of the ring's outstanding warriors, this opinion was climaxed by his recent election to the Boxing Hall of Fame.

Destiny's draught has been more bitter than sweet for good old Joe Louis. While life can never be completely unhappy for Joe as long as he can get in a game of golf now and then, the Brown Bomber has been bombed by the vicissitudes of life of late. Recently released from a Denver institution, the legendary champion has found that the foibles of Fate have caused no fluctuation in the affection that the public holds for him.

Although his movements are medically restricted, little time was wasted in declaring Joe in as a member of the combine controlling the televised end of the Clay-Quarry fight. Although he is said not to be in straightened circumstances, an affair benefiting him held in Detroit and sponsored by some of the nation's outstanding Negro celebrities proved a huge financial success. Joe Louis remains one of the best loved of living Americans.

Fortunately, unhappiness has not been the lot of most of the heavyweight champions in their post-career lives. During his fighting days Max Schmeling, an idol in Germany could not disassociate himself from the heinous Nazi regime, to the detriment of his popularity elsewhere. The fall of the Third Reich and the subsequent worldwide acceptance of the idea that Max was primarily a toy of circumstance who resisted Nazi contamination by retaining his Jewish manager Joe Jacobs, plus the obvious sincerity of his friendship with Joe Louis, have gained Schmeling a respect that escaped him as champion.

In his various business enterprises, both German and American, Schmeling has shown that he might have gained better-than-average success in the world of business had he not been a boxer. In recognition of all of this the German government 40 years after he became world champion, recently awarded him one of its highest civilian decorations.

The life style of Schmeling's once bitter rival, Jack Sharkey, who succeeded Max as champion has been a model of stability and comfort for any retired champion. Sharkey who has done well and lived well since ending his fighting days, in a Boston suburb, raising a fine family in the interim, has long been one of the nation's most noted outdoormen. Outdoors shows and exhibits seeking a sure fire attraction never fail to call upon Sharkey, whose expertise in fishing makes him an old standby at such affairs.

For years without end Gene Tunney, the first man to retire undefeated as heavyweight champion and make it stick, has served as Exhibit A in showing the world how a champion, upon retiring, gains wealth, position, and social standing. Health problems have plagued Tunney for the past several years. Personal tragedy merged with personal triumph with the election of his son John to the Senate.

Despite physical discomforts and private distractions Tunney has been in attendance at im- *(Continued on page 40)*

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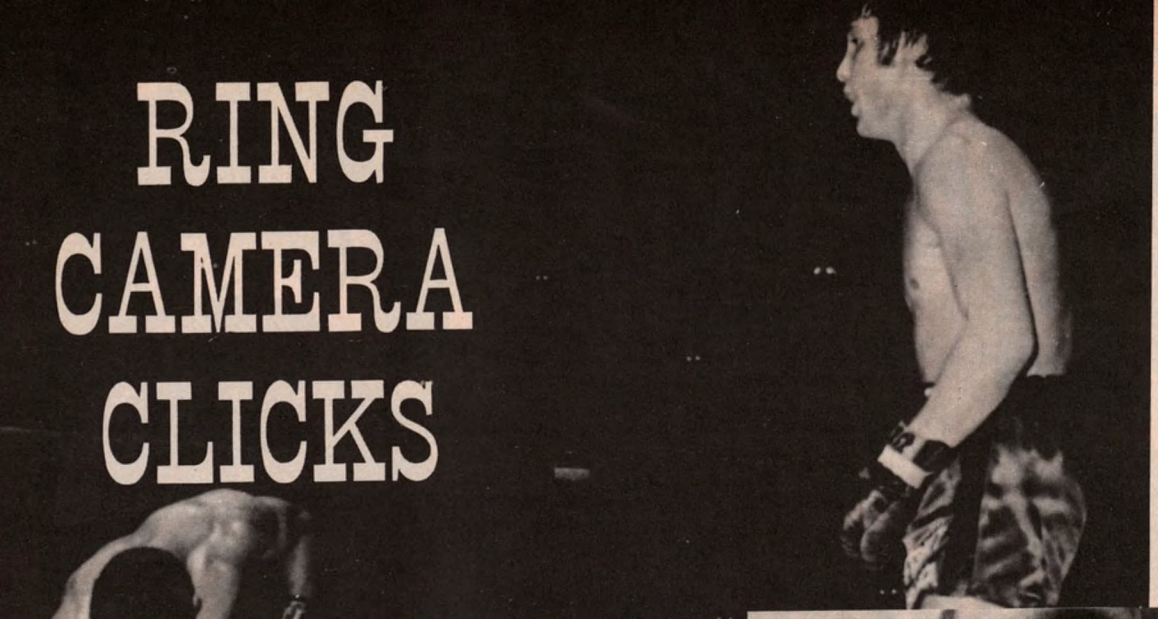
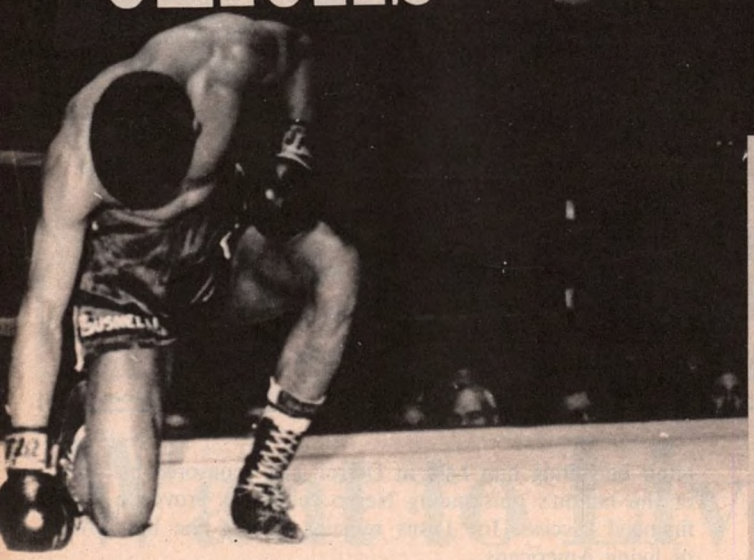
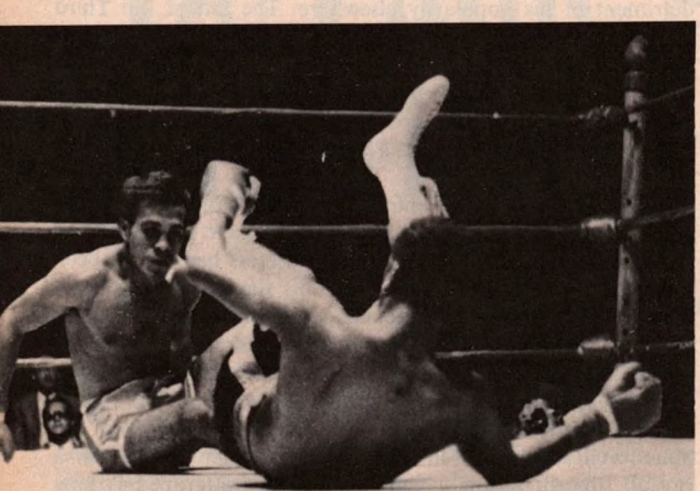
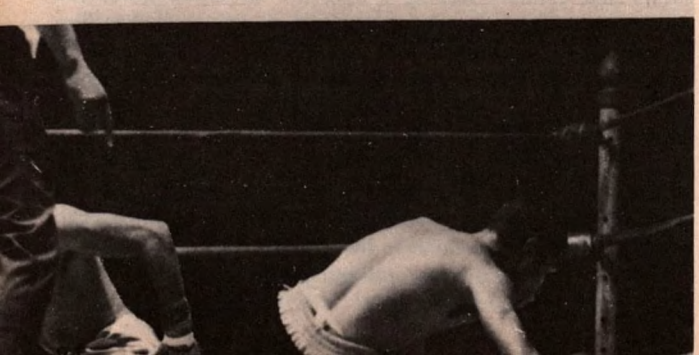


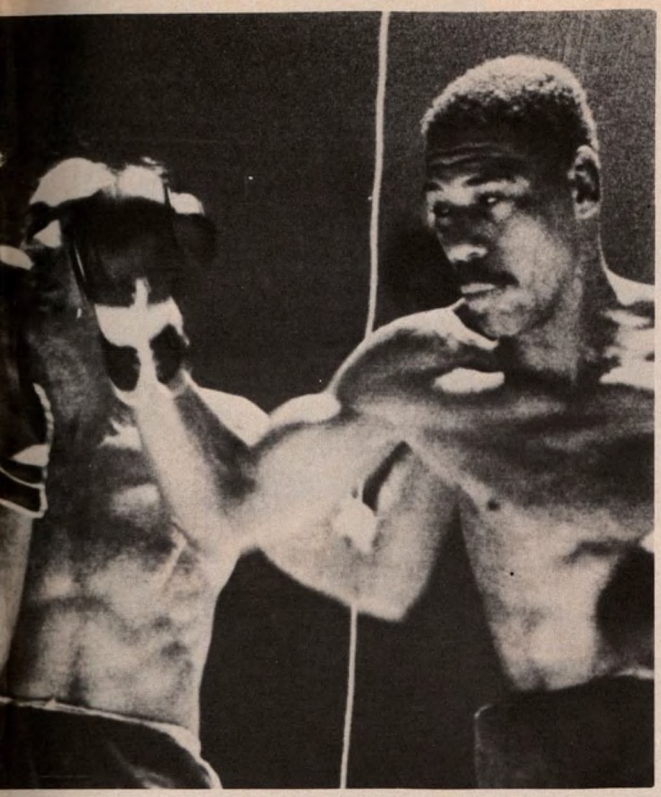
(Left) Bruno Arcari, junior lightweight champion of the world, watches Brazil's Jose Des Santos fall to one knee during their non-title contest in Rome, won by the Italian after 10 rounds. (Below) Ex-heavyweight king Ezzard Charles and wife Gladys are all smiles in Chicago after being notified of Ez' election to the Boxing Hall of Fame, located in the offices of The Ring. Charles is confined to a wheelchair because of lateral sclerosis.



It looks as if Venezuelans Guillermo Salcedo (black trunks) and Andres Borges were playing "ring around the rosy, all fall down," in the first round of their lightweight bout at Caracas. But it was that rarity, a double knockdown. Salcedo went on to score a third-round TKO.

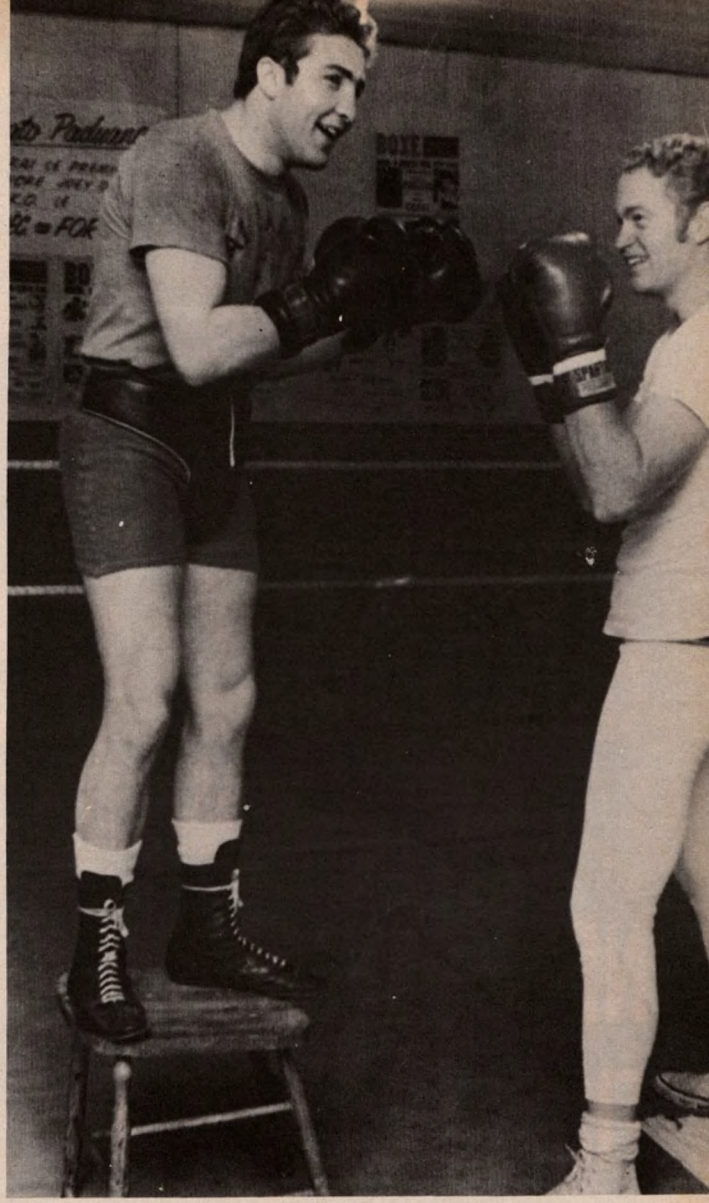




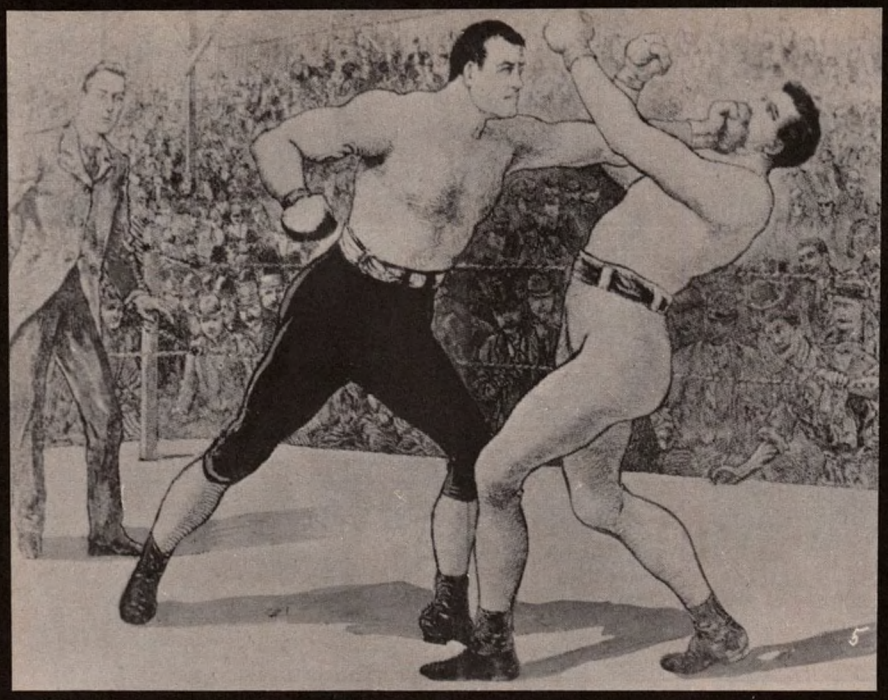


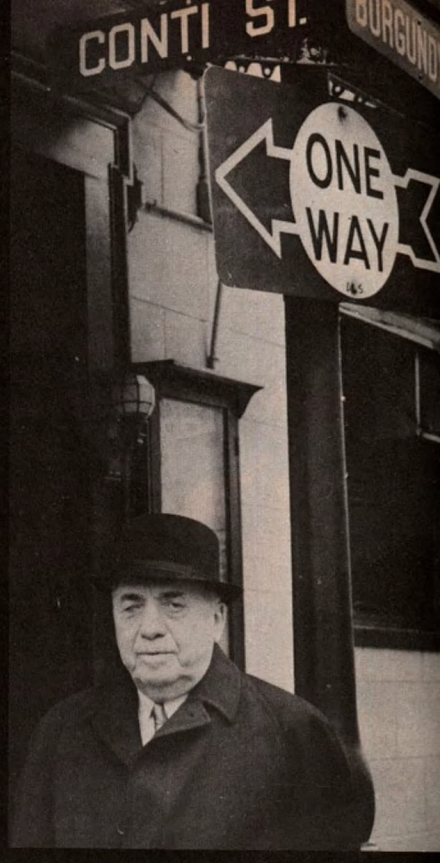
U.S. middleweight Lonnie Harris (right) lands a sharp right to the jaw of Nessim Cohen of France during their 10-rounder in Paris, which ended in a draw verdict.

Heavyweight champion Joe Frazier squares off with radio host Barry Farber, as Triangle chief exec George Keehler referees. Triangle has produced an hour-long colorcast on Frazier's life.



(Above) Doing a bit of clowning in a Montreal gym are Canadian lightweight king Donato Paduano (on stool) and Montreal Expos hard-hitting outfielder Rusty Staub. (Below) Mario Rivera Martino, (center) a correspondent for The Ring from the Caribbean area, for the past several years, poses with Warren Corbin (left) and John Miles, both of whom are vice presidents of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co., Martino, also a VP, has been with Goodyear for the past 22 years.

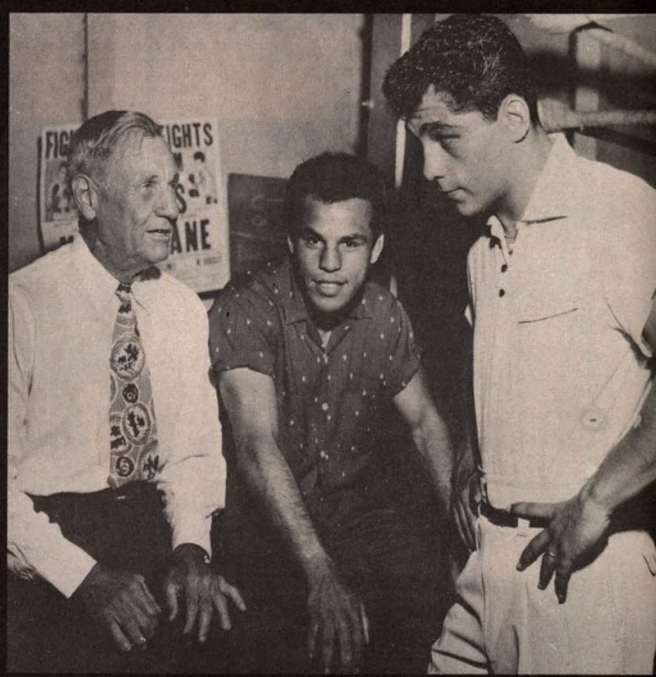




(Above) An artist's conception of Gentleman Jim Corbett knocking out John L. Sullivan in the 21st round in New Orleans 'way back in 1892. (Right) The legendary Pete Herman, onetime bantamweight king and member of Boxing's Hall of Fame, poses in front of his nightclub in the French Quarter. Although totally blind since 1925, Pete never misses a boxing show.

NEW ORLEANS FISTICALLY RICH IN OLD DAYS, OPULENT TODAY

This is the first of a series of locality histories in the world of boxing. The Editor thought it most fitting to lead off with New Orleans, where modern fisticuffs, gloves replacing bare knuckles, began with the fight in which Jim Corbett took the heavyweight title from John L. Sullivan in 1892. This series will devote itself to the present as well as the past. Los Angeles will be No. 2, in our May issue.



One of the Crescent City's most famed fight managers, the late Whitey Esneault, chats with two champions he developed, Ralph Dupas (center), ex-junior middleweight ruler, and (right) Willie Pastrano, who held the light heavyweight crown.

By RON VIRGETS

NEW ORLEANS, La. — Ever since hot-eyed Creoles flashed rapiers at each other in the Louisiana dawn, New Orleans has been known as a town with a deep appreciation of red-blooded combat.

Today worshippers of manly mayhem around the Queen City are enjoying a boxing renaissance that is sweeping the sport back to the popularity of a decade ago before local stars Willie Pastrano and Ralph Dupas migrated to the Miami stable of Angelo Dundee.

Leading evangelist of the Crescent City's boxing revival include middleweights Alvin Phillips, Tony Licata, Chuck Mince and Jerry Pellegrini, light heavy Joe Burns, welterweights Percy Pugh and Jack Tillman, and featherweight Bennie McCall.

Phillips laid claim to the misty Southern middleweight championship last year by defeating Willie Crosby and has defended against Willie Warren. Other Phillips victims in-

(Above) A smiling Otis Guichet holds apart two great New Orleans warriors. On the left is Bernard Docusen, who fought Ray Robinson for the welter crown in 1948. That's Pete Herman, the Crescent City's all-time hero on the right. Guichet is chairman of the Louisiana Boxing Commission. (Right) Tony Licata, a 19-year-old middleweight, is considered by many as a future hotshot. The French Market idol is unbeaten in 17 pro bouts thus far.

clude Charlie Shipes, Johnny Brooks and Chucho Garcia.

Teenage Tony Licata is an exciting 19-year-old prospect from the talent-rich French Market section of New Orleans, an area that has spawned such fistic lights as Pastrano, Dupas, the Docusen brothers and Keith Hamiliton.

Licata, a former SAAU champ, turned pro in 1969 and has been to the post 17 times without a loss, picking up a Ring Magazine "Prospect of the Month" endorsement along the way. His only blemish was an eight-round draw with Luis Vinales, conqueror of Bobby Cassidy. Tony soundly whipped the New Yorker in a rematch.

Other popular middles: young Chuck Mince, winner of eleven straight after a loss in his pro debut, and semi-retired Jerry Pellegrini. Jerry was a well-rated welterweight in 1968, but has been hampered by old eye cuts. Pellegrini owns wins over Billy Backus, Herbie Lee, Dick Diveronica and Joey Durelle.

The big ace in the New Orleans deck nowadays, however, is flashy Percy Pugh, the darling of the Ninth Ward. Pugh is currently the world's number-one ranked welterweight. He climbed that high the hard way. The boxing master has taken on the best in his division and has beaten current champion Billy Backus, Pete Toro, Jerry Pellegrini, Joe Brown, Eddie Pace, Joe Shaw, Oscar "Shotgun" Alvarado and Raul Soriano.

Percy may be called on to turn back a challenge close to home. Jack Tillman, a good hitter who has won 26 in a row, is clamoring for a shot at the top contender. Although he hails from Mobile, Tillman has done most of his campaigning in New Orleans and is unbeaten in local rings. Young Jack is the most popular "adopted son" of Louisiana ring fans since Henry Hank a decade ago.

Assisting in the recent boxing surge are Joe Burns, an underrated light-heavy with a fine 23-3 record, and Bennie McCall, a power-punching featherweight who has trouble finding opposition in his weight class.

Despite such a bumper crop of main event fighters around, there are surprisingly few managers available to harvest it.

Mike Cusimano has the largest local stable, including Phillips, Burns, Tillman and Pellegrini. Colorful "Brother" Kron guides the fortunes of Pugh, McCall and welterweight Billy Vining. Before his retirement last year, Vince Arnona was regarded as one of the most astute managers and trainers in the South.

Two former area managers have risen high in the ranks of boxing officialdom. Emile Bruneau, mentor of Battling Shaw and Jimmy Perrin among others, is former president of the World Boxing Association. Otis Guichet, who guided the fortunes of Bernard and Maxie Docusen, heads up the Louisiana Boxing Commission.

The bulk of local promoting is divided between long-time rivals "Leaping Lou" Messina and Heard Ragas. Both have handled boxing shows in the area for 30 years or more.

Messina is credited with giving initial national exposure to such champions as Carmen Basilio, Joe Brown and Curtis Cokes. Ragas began promoting at the old Colosseum Arena on North Roman Street and is currently making matches for young Tony Licata.

Other promoters active in and around

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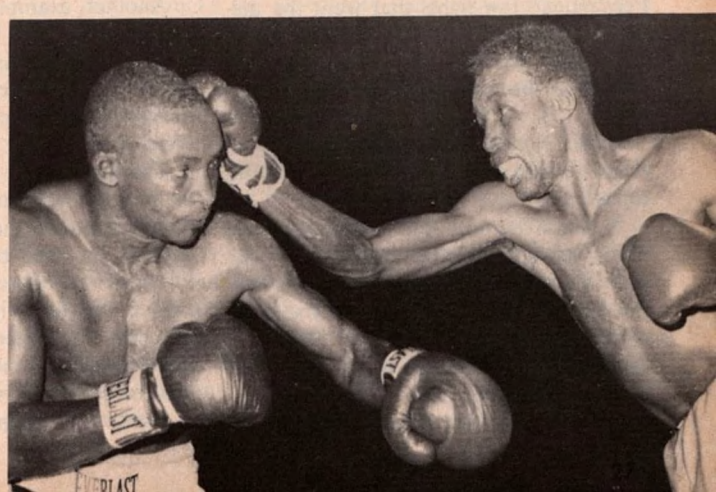

Here are two of New Orleans' best mixing it up in this 1966 meeting. Percy Pugh (left) is nailed by ex-lightweight king Joe Brown.

THE LEFT HOOK

IT HAS BECOME BOXING'S MOST POTENT SINGLE PUNCH

Florentino Fernandez (above) used the left hook to perfection, scoring almost all of his 40 knockouts with that lethal blow. (Right) Jimmy Ellis says he has been victimized by left hooks but also claims victory with that punch.

By HOWARD BLEIER

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — The left hook always has been considered a fighter's deadly weapon — just as the left jab very often is the prelude to such a punch. But, in recent years, fighters have been concentrating so much on the hook, they've neglected other weapons in their arsenal—the right cross, the left or right uppercut, the overhand right-hand lead (only a few cutie-pies still use this one) and short, jolting rights and lefts (none considered hooks) to the chin.

Yes, the left hook is here to stay and, since fight fans relish knockouts, and left hooks produce more KOs than any other punch, you can look for more of the same in years to come.

Florentino Fernandez, the Cuban 167-pounder who now resides here, has been fighting for 15 years—although he's only 32 years old, he says. The Ring Record Book insists he's 34. Florentino demurs. But that's beside the point. The important thing is, Fernandez has scored 40 knockouts, the vast majority with left hooks.

His perfection of that blow earned him a shot at Gene Fullmer's NBA middleweight title in August of 1961, one of Fernandez's few fights that went the distance. Florentino lost a 15-round decision that night in Ogden, Utah, not too long after he had compiled 16 straight KOs.

When Fernandez was asked why he relies so heavily on his left hook, he replied:

"I am a natural lefthander and have more strength in that arm than in my right. I knocked out Joe DeNucci in Boston with just one left hook to the chin. Also, I knocked out Marcel Pigou in Madison Square Garden with a single left hook to the body.

"It's still my best punch. After all, it has helped me score four knockouts and earn one draw in my comeback."

Nino Benvenuti, trailing Luis Rodriguez, seven rounds to three on most scorecards, in their middleweight title fight Nov. 22, 1969, in Rome, turned defeat into victory with a single left hook. It was a perfectly-delivered blow to the chin and Rodriguez had the misfortune to be coming at Nino at the time.

Another example of the explosiveness of left hooks and how they can produce instant victory was Bob Foster's fourth-round KO of Dick Tiger for the light heavyweight crown on May 24, 1968, in New York.

The blow was a blockbuster and Tiger, in falling backward to the floor, sustained even further damage when the back of his head bumped the canvas.

Tiger was offered a return fight with Foster, but the Nigerian thought discretion was the better part of valor. He remembered that one lethal left hook and how he suddenly felt all of his 40 years.

Foster is an enigma. He is conceded to possess one of the best left hooks in the fight game, yet he staunchly maintains his right is just as devastating. It isn't.

His fight with Joe Frazier for the heavyweight title matched a vicious left-hooker with a man who hurts you with both hands, a Marciano-type who never stops "smoking," as he puts it.

One thing all fighters who rely heavily on the left hook agree on is that the power of the blow comes mostly from proper foot position, with the heels planted for added leverage. And, another thing that appears to be true is that the majority of left-hook artists are slope-shouldered.

Fernandez, the darling of TV fights in the early '60s, has one problem—finding sparring partners. His left hook is still so potent, he recently put one into a Miami Beach hospital.

He explains his poor 1966-68 record (he lost five of seven fights in that span) by saying he didn't train properly and was worried about members of his family still in Castro-controlled Cuba.

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The Chatter Box

By JOHN ORT

ODDITY OF THE MONTH—Australia's welterweight Ricky Johnson ran into bad luck against Stan Ward. Johnson was ahead on points going into the last round. The bell sounded, and Johnson leaped from his corner like a raging bull. Ward held his ground and side-stepped him. Johnson went right by Ward and ran into the top rope of the ring, which caught him across the throat. He collapsed. Referee Billy Males counted him out. There is a moral in this, somewhere.

Portland, Me. boxing promoter Sam Silverman, out of Boston, canceled a recent show because of a snowstorm.

The AAU has named Dr. Ben Becker, of New York, "Man of the Year" in boxing, and selected Arrington B. Klice, Kansas City, "Coach of the Year."

The 1972 AAU senior championships will be held in Las Vegas, Nev. and the junior championships in Biloxi, Miss.

The AAU 1970 All-America boxers are: 106 lbs. Elijah Cooper, Paterson, N.J.; 112, Eduardo Santiago, New York; 119, Ken Bazur, New Iberia, La.; Robert Mullins, Spartanburg, S.C., and David Kibby, Smith River, Calif.; 125, Ray Lunny III, Redwood City, Calif., and James Buscene, Fort Worth, Texas; 132, Santiago Rosa, Puerto Rico; 139, Quincelan Daniels, Detroit.; 147, Armando Muniz, Los Angeles; 156, Jesse Valdez, Houston; 165, John Mangum, Detroit; 168, Nat Jackson, Memphis; heavyweight, Ron Lyle, Denver. Some have already gone pro.

Michael O'Halloran, a Laborite member of Commons, told a British newspaperman a voter in his district had given him the name of a person who admitted shooting former light heavyweight king Freddie Mills. Mills died of gunshot wounds in his car in London's West End last year. A coroner's jury called it suicide.

Retired British heavyweight Billy Walker is making it big in movies. His best part to date is that of a lovesick gladiator in a flick called "Up Pompeii." Billy has two big scenes, surrounded by girls, girls, girls.

Moishe Nadler, a Rumanian Jew who moved to Israel, recently made his U.S. debut in Philadelphia. Nadler, who had been a security guard for Israeli Prime Minister Levi Eshkol, won a gold medal in the 1967 Maccabian Games light middleweight division. He is in this country with his wife Mirela on a visitor's visa. In his first time out he dropped a four-round decision to Al Cook.

A bill creating a State Athletic Commission in Georgia, was approved by the State Committee on Economy, Reorganization and Efficiency in Government. The Bill creates a 10-member commission which must license any professional event which is expected to produce gross receipts of at least $10,000. It is primarily aimed at preventing future Georgia appearances of such controversial figures as Cassius Clay.

All-America heavyweight Ronnie Lyle was serving a prison term in the Colorado State Penitentiary last year. In total, he served seven and a half years. Ron says: "If I was bitter when I got out of prison, I'm not anymore. I feel society owes me nothing except a chance."

Youngstown heavyweight Mike Boswell lost a big chance when his bout with George Chuvalo fell through due to a shooting involvement. A police spokesman from Youngstown said Boswell told authorities he was in a tavern when he became embroiled in an argument over a young woman. The fighter said the man drew a pistol and shot him in the back. Boswell told police the man fired two shots from the 22-caliber weapon before Mike took the pistol away and beat his assailant with it.

BILLY WALKER AND FRIENDS

Big-time boxing is due back in the Paterson Armory, once the mecca of New Jersey boxing. Jet-set sportsman Stu Schoninger, of New York, hopes to revive boxing with two shows a month. He plans to present top-name attractions featuring three 10-round bouts on each card. He has acquired the services of veteran matchmaker Angelo Pucci, who once promoted in the Armory.

CHATTER—Warren Cabral is the new president of the Northern California Boxers and Wrestlers Welfare Association. Petey Mack is the new vice-president . . . Akron middleweight Doyle Baird was released on $500 bond after being arrested on the charge of carrying a concealed weapon . . . California heavyweight Joey Orbillo is on the comeback trail. Split tendon in his left hand has healed . . . Former junior middleweight king Freddie Little was appointed deputy director of the Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles . . . Miami Beach boxing promoter Chris Dundee offered middleweight king Carlos Monzon $100,000 to defend against Luis Rodriguez . . . The WBC and the Secretary General of the EBU criticized the way referee Mark Conn handled the Clay-Bonavena bout. They said that Conn did not make the mandatory eight-count after the first two 15th-round knockdowns of Bonavena by Clay . . . The British Boxing Writers Association gave Ken Buchanan the "Best Lightweight in the World" award . . . A new VBA ring has opened in Hartford, Conn. The ring number is 49, and Bat Battalino and Willie Pep are honorary presidents . . . Bill Regan, University of Miami (Fla.) graduate, who boxed for the Hurricanes, but whose major contribution was being boxing coach for 20 years, has been voted into the University Hall of Fame . . . Former world bantamweight champion Lionel Rose married his childhood sweetheart, Jenny Oakes, in Melbourne, Australia . . . Seattle, Wash. boxing coach Gene Bell died at the age of 62 . . . Charlie Rose reports that he and the Statue of Liberty were born on the same date, March 4, 1886. Both are 85 and he is going strong. The Statue, fortunately, is anchored in New York harbor.

PUNCH LINES

INFLATION AND BOXING

WHAT is boxing coming to? We are fighting inflation, but boxing is helping that disease to get a tighter hold on our wobbly economy. I note that the Garden in New York has set a scale of prices beginning at $20 and rising to $150 for Frazier vs. Clay.

Mr. Markson, you are ruining the game of boxing. There never was a fight worth more than $20. As for a tops of $150, it is preposterous and should have been vetoed by the Boxing Commission as being against the good and welfare of boxing.

Shades of Rickard and the 600 millionaires! Shades of Mike Jacobs, who scaled the second Louis-Schmeling fight from $5 to $30.

I certainly am not going to pay $20 for a ticket to the Frazier-Clay or any other fight. Mr. Markson, you have lost me, and I hope you have lost many others, too.

Harvey R. Draycott
Southampton, L.I.

"LANGFORD WASN'T FUNNY"

I failed to find anything humorous in your story about a fight that took place in 1910 between langford and Flynn, in which Flynn took a terrible beating by a superior fighter, who, when he decided he was ready, knocked the helpless Flynn into the lap of a reporter who had panned him.

Boxing is a violent sport, indulged in by violent people and watched by people who get a vicarious thrill out of violence. But it is not a subject for humor and levity. I hated to read that Langford, after he had punched Flynn out of the ring, "grinned as he walked to his corner." What's funny about cruelty?

S. J. Glaser, D.M.D.
Athol, Mass.

A WORD FOR MAC FOSTER

I've read your letters lately stating that Mac Foster was too much of a build-up. As in the cases of Ken Norton or Forrest Ward.

I live in Mac's home town, Fresno, so naturally I'm a Foster fan. I've seen Mac fight That Spencer, Cleveland Williams and more recently, Zora Folley. I am convinced that Mac wasn't fighting as usual against Jerry Quarry. I think that instead of fighting with his power, he tried to use the jab to cut Jerry which, of course, didn't work.

I think Mac still has a good potential.

David Doris,
Clovis, Calif.

A WORD ABOUT KIRKMAN

I want to congratulate you on your slow pace in meeting the unlimited expectations of the Northwest re Boone Kirkman. He never had beaten anybody and was in no shape to fight Foreman. In short, he was grossly overmatched, and you knew it.

However, you did go for Mac Foster, and I want to say I went with you. I don't believe he ever will recover from his New York experience.

Clay Roettger
Los Angeles, Cal.

MARK CONN'S BEFUDDLEMENT

Why weren't the rules of the New York Commission carried out in the Clay-Bonavena bout?

'The boxer scoring the knock down, must go to a neutral corner, and remain there until I tell you to continue.'

How many times has every fight fan heard that rule intoned before the start of a fight?

Yet Clay violated every word of that rule, and wasn't even warned by Mark Conn, who ignored the mandatory eight count twice.

Can you imagine Arthur Donovan letting him go prancing around the ring waving his arms while Art was counting over the fallen man?

I'm not saying that any of this would have affected the outcome. Bonavena was outclassed. But, what I am saying is, that it appeared to me as though Conn lost control.

Most referees would not have started counting until Clay had returned to a neutral corner, just as Barry did to Dempsey in 1927. Many referees would have disqualified him, had he shoved them aside to get at Bonavena, just as he was arising, as Clay did. Conn never had a chance to look at Bonavena to see how badly hurt he was. My criticism isn't directed at Clay, but at Conn whom I considered to be a competent referee.

Harold Arney
Ashland, Ore.

A LITTLE MIXUP

Last summer I sent to you a letter containing the following question:

I saw the short-lived Lewis-Corletti bout in Detroit (1968). It was announced at that time that the winner (Lewis) would meet Chuvalo, who was at ringside. However, the two never met.

My letter was returned with the answer. "No. Never met."

I now see that my question has experienced a rather remarkable mutation. To wit:

Did Joe Louis ever fight Eduardo Corletti?

Aside from the fact that the sole resemblance between these two questions consists of mention of Eduardo Corletti, I have been portrayed, in print, as either obtuse or badly confused about the history of boxing. I therefore feel justified in communicating to you my displeasure.

K. T. Barnes
Amherst, Mass.

Editor's Note—We enter a plea of Non Vult.

RATING CASSIUS CLAY

My friends are great believers in Clay's ability, but I think that they are allowing his 15th round K.O. of Bonavena to go to their heads. In Bonavena, Clay fought a hard, crude fighter, who is nowhere near the class of Marciano, Dempsey or Louis, and who, as he proved, can be hurt badly and even knocked out. That was always my impression of Oscar ever since I saw him fight Jimmy Ellis.

My friends fail to recall that Ellis decked him twice and almost stopped him in the 10th round. Jimmy failed dismally against Joe Frazier. Up to the point of the K.O., I had Clay only one round ahead of Ringo on points, and if Oscar had won that last round, the decision would have been close.

Did you notice how many times Bonavena's crude and unpolished left hand got to Clay's noggin? No doubt, some fans are going to argue that Clay was only playing with Oscar, and that he could have done away with him earlier. Rubbish! Clay was a desperate man in that 9th round, and he was far from convincing thoroughout. I would even go as far as to say that hadn't it been for that cut, Quarry would have cut him down.

Mike Goddard,
Burlington, Canada

WHO STOLE WHAT?

Ring magazine throws dirty punches. You guys really come out with some belligerent rhetoric in your recent issues. It seems to me that you people were afraid that Muhammad will win back his title and make fools of all those who stole it.

John Dunn
Downes Grove, Ill.

Montano's Crusade For Boxing Cleanup Goes on

By ENRIQUE CORDOBA

MANILA, P.I. — Everybody who knew him thought the youngest boy in one of the top families in Philippine politics — the Montanos of Cavite province—was set for a military career like his eldest brother, Ciriaco. For Justiniano N. Montano, born on June 4, 1937, to one-time senator, now-Congressman Justiniano S. Montano, Sr. and Ligaya Nazareno — the sixth in a family of seven—had from chilhood been keen on uniforms and such. For a while, it looked that way, too, as young Montano went to the U.S. to study at Staunton Military Academy in Virginia during the early Fifties.

But shortly after his return home, Montano was exposed to boxing, and he fell in love with the sport. Soon, barely out of his teens, he was deeply engrossed in pro boxing and boasted of one of the largest boxing stables in his country.

"I was never in the sport for the money in it," Montano says, "but for the excitement and the challenge . . ." His boxers attest that Montano never took a centavo out of their earnings.

While Montano enjoyed being a boxing manager, he was disconcerted by the malpractices he came to learn about. He determined to help create a better world for professional boxing.

The opportunity to fulfill his desire came in 1962, when he was appointed by then-President Macapagal as a member of the Games and Amusements Board, the government agency supervising, among others, the sport of professional boxing in the Philippines. Soon thereafter, he was promoted to the GAB chairmanship. It started off the longest tenure of any GAB chairman.

When Montano was appointed czar of Philippine boxing, many thought of him as a mere political appointee who would be content to pick up his pay and dispense favors.

But Montano, then only 25, soon showed he was no political hack. Barely three months after his appointment as GAB chairman, he startled the boxing world by telling the World Boxing Association off—long in dispute with other regional bodies like the British Boxing Board of Control and the European Boxing Union—for their dictatorial ways.

Faced with a possible revolt because of Montano's unexpected denunciation, the then NBA turned discreet and accepted Montano's proposal for it to turn global. Also accepted, but with some significant changes, was a revised constitution Montano had worked on. The NBA became the World Boxing Association.

The young man with the big broom from the Philippines, was to figure prominently in world boxing from there on. Pleased as he was to get the NBA to go global, Montano remained dissatisfied, for his move to amend the voting system which gave every state or local American boxing commission a vote equal to that of a national boxing commission like Japan's, or the Philippines.

With American commissions outnumbering non-U.S. commissions by 3 to 1, Montano knew the Americans would continue to dominate the WBA.

Montano was also disappointed that his move to remove persons who were non-members of any commission from WBA positions of importance—as in the case of Arch Hindman, who was then the executive secretary and at present is the chairman of the Ratings Committee.

Commissioned by WBA president Dr. Charles Larson to help convince those in Europe to join the new global body, Montano made the rounds of European boxing circles. He found the boxing people there distrustful of the WBA.

It was at this point that Montano,

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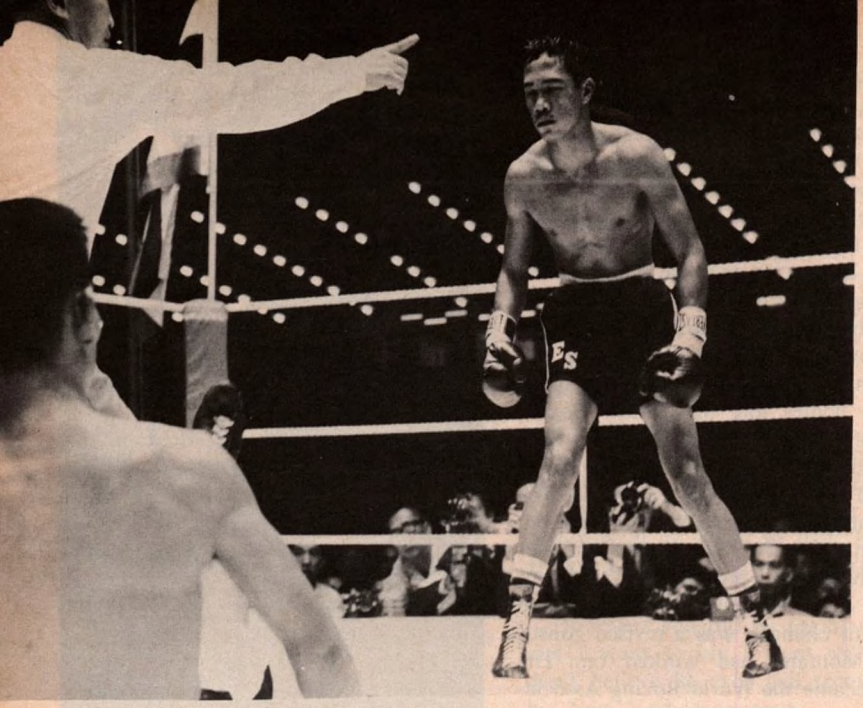
(Above Mr. and Mrs. Justiniano N. Montano Jr., enjoy an evening of dancing as the World Boxing Council president gets a rare opportunity to forego his busy schedule. He's also the czar of boxing in the Philippines. (Below) Montano (fourth from right) presides over formal signing of a bout between Filipino boxers Pedro Adigue (second from left) and Rene Barrientos (on Montano's right).



Erbito Salvarria is motioned to a neutral corner by the referee after decking Chartchai Chionoi in the second round at Bangkok. It proved unnecessary, however, as Chionoi failed to rise, thus making Salvarria the new flyweight champ, the second Filipino to gain that honor.

SALVARRIA KNOCKOUT OF CHIONOI REMINDER OF VILLA

By FELIPE J. C. GALANG

MANILA, P.I.—It will be some time before the fight fans here descend from the stratosphere to which they went flying when the flash came that Erbito Salvarria, one of our boys, had knocked out Chartchai Chionoi in the second round at Bangkok, and had become the world flyweight champion.

Salvarria's victory was reminiscent of that of Pancho Villa, of the Philippines, on June 18, 1923, when he beat Jimmy Wilde for the world title. Pancho was born Francisco Guilledo.

Erbito returned on December 9 as a world flyweight kingpin aboard a KLM plane with his handlers and his mother, who joined the trip but did not attend the fight. Local boxing luminaries and boxing officials welcomed Erbito at the airport with all the garlands, hugs and kisses that his countrymen could give the newly crowned champion.

Let us turn back the pages of history when Villa won the flyweight championship of the world. The cable received by Jaime C. de Veyra, editor of La Vanguardia (Spanish paper) at 12:30 p.m. Pacific time, from Manuel Villareal, now the editor of the Daily Mirror, electrified Manila—NEW YORK, JUNE 18—PANCHO VILLA WINS BY KNOCKOUT IN THE SEVENTH ROUND.

Twenty minutes after the cable was received, Taliba, a Tagalog daily, had its first extra, followed by La Vanguardia's edition. The news of Pancho's victory over Wilde spread like a flash fire without firemen.

It was raining that afternoon but a parade was immediately organized down Rizal Avenue with all kinds of placards and banners with musicians. It was a wet parade, street cars and automobiles were towing empty cans, firecrackers exploding everywhere. In the provinces church bells were rung to announce Pancho Villa Day. The whole country celebrated the victory of the first Filipino to wear a world crown.

Now for the regular grist from the boxing mills here currently.

Rudy Alarcon, 126, badly outpointed Joe Saloma, 125, in 10 rounds at the Coliseum under the promotion of Armando Besa, who had made seven pairs of 10 rounds each and an eight-round curtain raiser. Alarcon, a veteran, commanded the upcoming Joe from the first round. His experience was his biggest asset. Joe suffered cuts over his eyes and a busted nose.

Willie Cordova, 118, beat Eddie Saloma, 117, in another 10. Willie knew the style of a southpaw, countered effectively to the body and took most of the steam out of his young rival. From the seventh to the last round Eddie could hardly stand, not because he lacked the stamina, but the pain in his stomach, which had been the main target of his opponent.

Coley Saloma, 115, defeated the heavy punching Fred Magallano, 116, in 10 rounds. Coley was more clever and faster than his slugging rival, who tried but failed to land any of his haymakers. Coley, the underdog of the three Salomas, made the hit of the evening.

Curley Dequino, 129, and Lito Manes, 130, drew in two rounds after Lito received a deep cut on the head due to a head-on collision.

Mar Cutillion, 139, halted Alberto Cruz in the sixth round. Alberto gave up the fight before the end of the sixth when he could no longer stand the punishment.

Pedro Cerio, 111, and Joe Grande, 111, drew in 10. Both were willing fighters from the start.

Tanny Amancio, 126, and Dommy Custado, 122, also drew in 10. The judges and the referee could not agree.

Manny Ysrael, 131, kayoed Frankie Tyo, 128, in the seventh round of a scheduled eight.

UP AND DOWN

Old Broadway

By SAM TAUB

LOU Jallos, the Kid from Cleveland! How many recollect this colorful boxer, who back in 1930 captured the Cleveland and Chicago Golden Gloves crowns? What a career he has had in and out of fistic circles. Amateur star, brilliant later as a pro, he's enjoyed a wonderful life and still is active.

60 years old last Oct. 3—feeling like 45—this athlete, who is also adept at handball and tennis, lives in Detroit. He is an outstanding referee and has been employed for the past 35 years with the Fords. Lou hung up his gloves in 1936.

Drafted in World War II, he was attached to Special Services, promoted fights for the armed forces, and refereed in the Bay Area of San Francisco for three years. Remembers Leyte, where he ran into Phil Rizutto of Yankee fame, Gus Lesnevich, Anton Christoforidis, and Al Milnar of the Cleveland Indians.

Lou and his wife, Melba have two sons—Jerry, 26, a newscaster for WPON in Pontiac, Mich., and Henry, 22, a senior at Central Michigan University in Mt. Pleasant, Mich., whose godfather is Jim Londos, our old pal of wrestling fame.

Remembers when the late Damon Runyon invited him to be his guest at the Schmeling-Stribling fight in Cleveland, which resulted in Lou's coming to New York with Jimmy Bronson as his manager. After five scraps in New York Jallos met Barney Ross in Chicago. Ross won.

Jallos also was in the movies. He appeared in Joe E. Brown's "Six Day Bike Rider," and with Mae West in "Belle of the Nineties."

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A recent visitor to the Ring office was Mario Rivera Martino, originally from Puerto Rico, who covered that beat for our magazine for twenty years. Martino did a little fighting as an amateur featherweight. Now vice president in charge of sales for Goodyear tires in Central America, based in Guatemala.

Lorenzo Pack, seen daily on Broadway, was a prospect out of Detroit. Despite his misfortune of having suffered a stroke he is making his way as a song writer. He's particularly proud of his song, "This Black Cat Has Nine Lives," which was recorded by Louis Armstrong.

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Sid Terris, the "Galloping Ghost," met a lot of old cronies on a visit to Miami Beach . . . Sid, who used to be affiliated with Stempler's at 61st St. and Central Park West, where the late Bob Olin had his restaurant, is now retired.

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Cpl. Izzy Schwartz, former flyweight boss, former president of Ring 8, whose head man now is Allie Zach, showed the gang at Jack Dempsey's, the pen and pencil set that he received for his services during his tenure as president. Izzy is active in the moving picture field, but also keenly interested in boxing.

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George 'Red' Rushmore, who has been on the fistic beat for more than half a century, once associated with the late

MELBA AND LOU JALLOS

Pete Reilly, still seeking new prospects. Rushmore, now 71, believes he has a good one in heavyweight Johnny Reid, from Newark, who reached the semi-finals in the Golden Gloves, and another one in Ivan Rodriguez, a welter from Puerto Rico, who worked with Jose Napoles.

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Looking as fit as he did in his heyday when he boxed Barney Ross and other big leaguers is Isadore (Izzy) Jannazzo, whose family brought him here from Alabama. His fight against Barney was one of his best performances, although he met many other big guns. Chris Dundee was his manager in 1941.

Jannazzo had approximately 150 fights as a welter and middleweight. His specialty was boxing the stars. Izzy clashed with Sugar Ray Robinson four times as a welter, hooked up with Ceferino Garcia in the old Madison Square Garden, and Solly Krieger at the now razed Hippodrome.

Izzy, who lives in Maspeth, N.Y., with his wife Frances, is the father of a son and daughter. His most vivid memory is the fight with Stanislaus Loayza in 1934 at Fort Hamilton for which he received $17, his $11 net paying the family rent.

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There was a big turnout not too long ago at New York's Liborio for the testimonial dinner for the former welterweight champion, Kid Gavilan, who has been living in Tampa, Fla.

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Frankie Jacobs comes up with an interesting item, re Joe DeMaria, Joe did some boxing while with the Army in Calcutta, India. After being discharged Joe became a trainer of boxers. Some thirty years ago he also took on the duties of manager and invaded the amateur field as a trainer. He set a record developing amateur champions — 21 of them.

Joe, who took many a kid off the streets and taught him the art of self-defense, is especially proud of his latest discoveries — the Viruet brothers — Edwin and Adolfo, lightweights. DeMaria, incidentally, runs a gym at 785 Westchester Avenue, in the Bronx section of New York.

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Phil Rutha, born in Long Island City, was the amateur feather champion of Queens County back in 1934. He boxed from 1930 to 1936 and had about 85 amateur scraps and four as a pro. In the amateurs Rutha boxed Leonard DelGenio, Johnny Horseman, Johnny LoBianco, Gaspar Abruzzo and Johnny Cabello. His manager was Walter Lang. Rutha, affiliated with Ring No. 8 in New York, is with the circulation department of the Long Island Press.

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Wherever you see the clan gather you will find the smiling faces of Vince and Jo Handley. And they travel distances. They're always busy taking camera shots. Vince was a boxer in the thirties. He fought Vince Mascia and Larry Anza-

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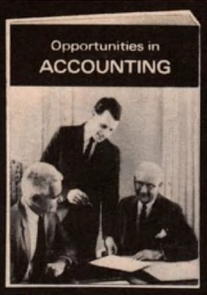

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MONZON BOMBS AUSTIN IN ● SECOND AT BUENOS AIRES ●

By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porzio

Buenos Aires, Argentina—Recent boxing developments in this country were featured by the appearance of world middleweight champion Carlos Monzon. He knocked out Charley Austin, U.S.A., in the second round at Luna Park. It was no match.

► **La Paz:** Welter Ramón Oliva and Dante Rossi drew in 10 rounds.

► **Villa Angelo (Chaco):** Undefeated flyweight Benicio Sosa kayoed German Lucco (Chile) in second round.

► **Coronel Pringles:** Welter Carlos Gimenez beat Miguel Angel Bravo by a TKO in five rounds.

► **Santa Fe:** Argentine bantam champion Hugo Bdyerá retained his crown against Ibrahim Alvarez. TKO in eight rounds.

► **Rosario:** Junior middle Ruben Martinez outpointed Antenor Santillan in 10.

► **Tartagal (Salta):** Middleweight Antonio Rivera beat Domingo Gerrero in six rounds (medical decision).

► **Buenos Aires:** Featherweight Luis Romo beat Antonio Figueroa by a TKO in eight.

► **Concepción del Uruguay:** Welter Pedro Veron beat Leandro Vilches on points in 10.

► **Buenos Aires:** In the junior lightweight class Venancio Gonzalez (Venan Zales) whipped Julio Campagna on points in 10.

► **Esquel:** Ramón Pereyra, Argentine and South American junior middleweight champion lost his Argentine crown to Héctor Palleres on points in 12 rounds.

► **Rosario:** Junior welter Carlos Villalba kayoed Octavio Escauriza in six.

► **San Rafael:** In the junior welter division Florentino Correa kayoed Wenceslao Lagos in the second round.

► **Roque Saenz Peña:** Featherweight Domingo Casco kayoed Marcial Tura in the second round.

► **Buenos Aires:** Argentine bantam champion Hugo Bidyeran scored a TKO in the third round over Andres Abalos (non-title bout).

► **Cordoba:** In the junior welter class Carlos Peralta outpointed Angel Roman in 10.

► **Bahia Blanca:** Welter Juan "Yanny" Garcia whipped Carlos Chavez in 10 rounds.

► **San Rafael (Mendoza):** Juan Carlos Gimenez beat Antonio Romero on points in 10. Junior welters.

► **Buenos Aires:** World middleweight champion Carlos Monzón kayoed Charley Austin in the second round at Luna Park.

► **Famailla (Tucuman):** Junior lightweight Oscar "Pelusa" Muñoz beat Luis Acosta on points in 10.

► **Roque Saenz Peña:** Featherweight Domingo Casco kayoed Miguel Tisera in the seventh round.

► **Bahia Blanca:** Junior welter Carlos Gimenez kayoed Balbidio Ojeda in the first round.

► **Banda Rio Sali:** Welter Americo Orellana outpointed Julio Bazan in 10.

CHOULES LOSES AUSSIE ● JUNIOR MIDDLE TITLE ●

By Ray Mitchell

Sydney, Australia—The reign of Billy Choules as Australian junior middleweight champion came to an end at Bossley Park when he was knocked out in the fifth round by Johnny Galluzzo.

Choules, 154, was outclassed and should consider retiring. A series of punches in the fifth round decked Choules for the full count. Jimmy Carruthers refereed.

► Charky Ramon, 154, assayed pure gold in his first real test, outpointing Barry Watson, 154, over 10 at Kingsford. Prior to this Ramon had had nine preliminary bouts, none of which had gone over four rounds. In Watson he met a boxer in the Australian ratings, a smart, fast-mover.

It was an exciting battle. In the final round Ramon decked Watson, then threw his arms around me (I was the referee) and shouted: "A beauty, Ray." "It's not over yet," I said, as I struggled to break loose. "You might have to do it again." Watson beat the 10 and lasted the distance.

► Ricky Johnson, 146, had an exciting eight-round main event well in hand against Stan Ward, 148, at Guildford Leagues Club, then lost the fight by knocking himself out. It was the last round of the contest. Johnson rushed at Ward who sidestepped. Johnson's adam's apple made contact with the top rope and he collapsed. Referee Billy Males counted to 10.

► After two postponements because of rain, Garry Dean, 115, won the N.S.W. State bantam title from Roger Carroll, 118, at Woolooware. It was an all-action battle, with Carroll holding a slight lead coming into the fifth round. In that round Carroll's eyebrow poured gore, and referee Billy Males called a halt.

► At Melbourne Festival Hall Peter Lund, 149½, comfortably outpointed Graham Dicker, 149¾, over 10.

► Johnny Gorkom, one of Australia's top light heavies, had two fights in four days. At Albury he battled to a draw over eight with N.S.W. State champion Greg McNamara in an exciting bout. Gorkom weighed 170, McNamara 164.

At Yarrawonga three nights later Gorkom, 172, halted southpaw Quentin Waters, 168, in the sixth round.

► Former Australian middleweight champion Dick Blair, 161, is sliding fast but still not being hurt. At Brookvale he was held to a draw by Les Dixon, 167, over 10 in a good fight.

► At Redfern, Jackson McQuade, 165, hit too hard for Les Dixon, 169½, to end their scheduled eight-rounder in the second. In another scheduled eight Sydney welter Dave Clarks, 147, stopped George Saxon, 151, in the fourth.

► Six nights later, at Riverwood Legion Club, Dave Clark, 147, went around with Aub Phillips, 152, for 10 rounds and won easily on points.

► Brisbane southpaw Ted Bonner, 132½, won every round against Melbourne's Carl Rowland, 134¾, at Bondi Junction. Points decision over 10.

► Two eights headlined the program at Marrickville R.S.L. Club, Steve Hallcroft, 142, outpointed Kevin Chester, 135, in one; John Batty, 129, was too experienced for Reg Greedy, 131, stopping him in round seven, in the other.

► At GTV9 TV studios, Richmond, Victoria, three eights were presented at the head of the bill. Billy Moeller, 125½, outpointed Bobby Dunn, 124¾, Dinky Davis, 122¾, drew with Santo Rizzo, 122¾; Rex Downard, 136¼, split Arthur Kemp's eyebrow with a punch and the fight was stopped in Downard's favor in the seventh round. Kemp scaled 136.¾.

► Frank Bianco, 135, had charge of his 10-rounder against Ceddy McGrady, 134, most of the way, decking Ceddy a couple of times. It went all the way, with Bianco a points winner. Venue was Marrickville Legion Club.

► At Kingsford, Ricky Martin, 141, boxed his way to an easy points win over Ray Cannon, 144, over eight.

► At Myrtleford, Stephen Dale, 136, outpointed Leo Grande, 138, over eight. At Maitland R.S.L. Club, Al Riddock, 18, knocked out Ken Crittenden, 129, in the seventh round of an eight.

► Australian boxing had its busiest year (1970) since the depression of the 1930s. A total of 373 promotions took place, all but a small handful of them being in three States: N.S.W., Victoria and Queensland, in that order. 1,300 boxers were active. This figure does not include 65 boxers imported.

COOPER AND WICKS WANT ● TO MANAGE JOSE URTAIN ●

By Jose Alvarez

Madrid, Spain—Jose Urtain has been redimensioned after his losing fight against Henry Cooper. The Basque took everything plus Henry's left hooks without flinching. He got enormous bumps around eyes and nose that caused the stoppage, and a boxing lesson which he needed most.

In spite of all, Jose succeeded in rocking the Britisher and put him on the canvas with a body blow for a short count. It was pupil vs. teacher.

Now Jose will start his apprenticeship all over again. Cooper and his manager Jim Wicks liked what they saw and expressed their desire to manage Urtain and work over the raw material towards a world championship.

Jose Hernandez, our deaf-mute EBU junior middle titlist, who won it over Gerard Piaskowy with a 14th round TKO, defended his crown in Berlin, winning admiration and a decision over Peter Marklewitz. He was regarded as the best boxer Berliners have seen in years.

Carrasco has drawn with Joe Tetteh (Ghana), the Barcelona judges apparently robbed him of a decision. Pedro injured his right mitt early in the fight and has it in a cast. What the WBC is doing to him as beyond comment.

Kid Romero lost to Atzori in Madrid for the EBU flyweight. Luis Aisa meets Galli in Rome for the EBU junior light weight title. We never had it so big in Spain.

TESTS PROVE BLUE LEWIS' KO PUNCH POWERFUL

MILFORD, Mich.–How powerful is a knockout punch? Safety engineers at the General Motors Proving Ground here decided to find out. Their consultant–Detroit heavyweight Alvin "Blue" Lewis–is shown in the above sequence delivering the kind of blow that has stopped 15 opponents in the ring, nine of them before the end of the second round.

The underdog in the encounter pictured here is accustomed to absorbing blows no human being would take voluntarily. It's an anthropomorphic (human-like) dummy wired up just as it would be for simulated collision tests at the GM Safety Research and Development Laboratory.

Sensitive instruments inside the dummy's skull measure the impact and transmit the information to computer tapes. The knockout blow was classified by the measurements as "severe, but survivable." Lewis' opponents probably would agree.

GM engineers explained that they gather information on human tolerance to impact from many sources to guide the design of safer car interiors.

LISTON CARRIED MANY SECRETS TO HIS GRAVE

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In St. Louis he had been an anti-labor goon, an armed robber and an alleged rapist. A hulking, menacing figure (6 feet, 1 inch, 200 pounds) he was encouraged to try boxing by a Roman Catholic chaplain in prison, and fought his first fight on September 2, 1953, flattening one Don Smith in one round in St. Louis.

That win started a string of six victories, mostly in and around St. Louis. He began to spread his activities, with Detroit as his next port of call. Two wins over highly touted John Summerlin in the automobile capital followed, but also in Detroit he suffered his first defeat when his jaw was fractured by Marty Marshall. It happened in the fourth round of a scheduled eight. Liston finished the bout, but lost the decision.

Liston subsequently evened the score with Marshall by stopping him in six rounds in St. Louis, and closed the series by beating Marshall again, this time in ten rounds in Pittsburgh.

For the next five years—from 1958 through 1962—Sonny's ring career was one of continued success. He ran off 21 consecutive victories, all but three by knockouts, and he established himself as a popular attraction on national television.

His power was seen in Chicago, Miami Beach, Cleveland, Houston, Denver, Seattle, Philadelphia and Las Vegas, where his victims included Julio Maderos, Wayne Bethea, Billy Hunter, Frankie Daniels, Ernie Cab, Mike DeJohn, Cleveland Williams, Willi Besmanoff, Howard King, Roy Harris, Zora Folley and Albert Westphal.

The only opponents who managed to avoid knockouts and to last the scheduled routes with Liston were Bert Whitehurst (twice) and the crafty veteran Eddie Machen.

By this time Liston had established himself as a dangerous contender for the world championship, and on September 25, 1962, he was accommodated with a crack at Floyd Patterson and the title. The bout was held in Chicago, and Patterson failed to last one full round with him.

It was the following July 22 that Patterson was given the opportunity to regain his lost laurels, but he fared no better than he had in his first tussle with Liston. The return match was held in Las Vegas and again one round was all Sonny needed to dispose of the former champion.

Aside from a brief tour of Europe, Liston was inactive fistically until February 25, 1964, when he stacked up against a young upstart from Louisville, Kentucky. The youngster was Cassius Marcellus Clay, also known as Muhammad Ali.

The bout was staged in Miami Beach, and Liston quit in his corner at the end of the sixth round, insisting that he had injured his left shoulder.

The unsatisfactory ending of that affair resulted in a return match with Clay the following May 25, in Lewiston, Me.

This meeting also produced an unsatisfactory finish with much confusion. The bout lasted only 1 minute, 42 seconds of one round, the shortest heavyweight championship bout on record.

Liston's quick defeat stirred up all sorts of suspicion and speculation. There were charges that Sonny had gone down from a phantom right-hand punch, but ringsiders concluded that his chin had been softened by too many grueling brawls on his way to the championship, and that the punch was legitimate.

Seemingly his poor showing in that bout spelled finis to Sonny's ring career. But he refused to be convinced. Following a year's retirement, he returned to action in Sweden, where he registered knockouts over Gerhard Zech in Stockholm, and Amos Johnson in Gothenburg.

In 1967 Charley made another junket to Sweden, disposing of two other Americans, Dave Bailey in Gothenburg and Elmer Rush in Stockholm.

In 1968 Liston did his brawling in the United States and Mexico, running off seven more knockouts, his victims including Bill McMurray in Reno. Billy Joiner in Los Angeles, Henry Clark in San Francisco, Sonny Moore in Phoenix, Willie Earls in Juarez, Roger Rischer in Pittsburgh and Amos Lincoln in Baltimore.

Meanwhile, Liston had established Las Vegas as his headquarters.

His "comeback" was unceremoniously wrecked on December 6, 1968, when an apparently decisive victory was suddenly turned into disaster by Leotis Martin, of Philadelphia, in the ninth round in Las Vegas.

But Sonny still wasn't ready to concede that he was finished. Last June 29 he appeared in the Jersey City Armory to belabor the much-battered Chuck Wepner into a gory mess and a 9th-round KO.

Through the years Liston occassionally filled in bit roles in motion pictures, invariably portraying mean, surly bad guys, an image he had conveyed to his opponents and the public.

Actually, Sonny was hardly "mean and surly." He wasn't too talkative, usually limiting his answers to curt "yeahs" and "noes." On occasion, however, he could be a pleasant conversationalist.

Aside from his wife, Geraldine, Sonny's main interests in life were youth programs, his interest stemming from his own impoverished and underprivileged childhood in Arkansas.

Sonny never learned to read, and his writing was confined to his name. But his fists earned him nearly $4,000,000 in paydays during his exciting, if erratic, career.

Sonny Liston is gone, and now will know the peace and tranquility he seldow knew in life.

THE LEFT HOOK

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Manager Angelo Dundee agrees, but still sees Florentino again becoming a rated middleweight.

"I can get down to 160 without weakening myself, and fight light heavyweights as well," Fernandez said.

Over the years, the left hook has enabled Fernandez to knock out such good ones as Randy Sandy (in one round), Rocky Rivero (in seven), Phil Moyer twice (in five and seven), Rory Calhoun (in eight), Stefan Redl (in seven) and Paddy DeMarco (in five).

Perhaps his greated win was a fifth-round KO of Jose Torres in San Juan on May 26, 1963.

For contrast, we talked to Jimmy Ellis, the former WBA heavyweight champion, a fellow not especially known for an outstanding left hook. In fact, Ellis's greatest victories were attributed to a sneaky right hand. But Jimmy thinks otherwise.

"When I knocked out Johnny Persol in the first round in New York, a left hook to the jaw put him in trouble and gave me my chance to finish him.

"I then caught him with three straight. short rights, the first near the belt-line, the second high on the chest and the third to the jaw. But, remember, it was a left hook that did the real damage."

Jimmy admits to being hurt many times by left hooks—and not only by Joe Frazier, who earlier this year decked him twice (Jimmy remembers only one knockdown) en route to the undisputed heavyweight title.

"Jerry Quarry hurt and temporarily blinded me with a left hook when I won the WBA title in 1968 in Oakland.

"Leotis Martin hurt me before I knocked him out in nine the year before. No, Floyd Patterson never hurt me with a left hook, or any other blow, for that matter, even though some people still feel he actually beat me in Stockholm."

Jimmy, who says the best defense against a left hook is to duck, slip and than throw your own left, then right, wants to fight Patterson again.

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MONTANO'S CRUSADE FOR BOXING CLEANUP GOES ON

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along with other boxing personalities, conceived of an alternative by which the WBA and the European bloc could mesh. With him in this idea was Ramon Velasquez, of Mexico, who was to become Montano's staunch ally. Velasquez got his government to sponsor a meeting among the different regional boxing representatives at Mexico City in February 1963, and out of this meeting was created the World Boxing Council.

Its members were the WBA, the BBBC, the EBU, the Latin-American Federation, and the Oriental Federation.

To Montano's dismay, he found that the fusion met with open hostility at the next WBA convention, in Miami, Florida. It was Montano's first frontal brush with a power clique in the WBA which, Montano said, was composed of Americans who thought themselves to be the "only brains in boxing."

With such a group holding sway in the WBA, Montano knew the chance of unity in world boxing was nil. With Velasquez and other WBA members he sought to dislodge this clique. It was managed in 1964, when the Montano group put up a non-clique member, Jim Deskin of Nevada, as candidate for WBA president. Deskin won.

The breakthrough failed to be followed up, however, due to two unfortunate circumstances. Deskin was immobilized by illness, and Montano was not able to attend another WBA convention until 1968 because of retrenchment by his government.

With Deskin down, and Montano absent, the clique managed to grab back power in 1965. A year later, the Council and the WBA split.

The year 1968 was a decisive one for the sport. It saw the return of Montano to the scene, with a list of grievances which the OBF delegated the Filipino to present to the WBA. Montano presented the OBF protest against discrimination, malpractices and abuses of the WBA, and demanded reforms. But the clique was in complete command. Montano declared war on the WBA, withdrawing the Philippines from membership.

"Since Japan, Thailand and Korea were most vociferous against WBA abuses during our OBF convention," Montano said, "I expected them to get out of an organization in which we were looked upon as second-class members." But, the three other members of the OBF have lingered in the WBA.

While the WBA remained deaf to complaints from its affiliates, the Council was on the wane under the controversial leadership of Spota. Velasquez got a new vote on the Council presidency, shortly after the WBA convention. Montano, still in the U.S., found himself the unanimous choice of the Council for president.

Montano lost no time agitating for the formation of an American organization that would be responsive to the need for unity in the sport, and which could represent North America—which then was no longer represented—in the Council. The commissions of California, Nevada and Arizona were receptive to the idea, and the North American Boxing Federation was formed.

In two years, the NABF blossomed into a faction with fully 70 per cent of all U.S. boxing activity within its jurisdiction. For his part, Montano took steps to revitalize the Council. The lack of a constitution was resolved in 1969, when the Philippine government hosted the Council convention. Championship rules and regulations were set up, and policies adopted.

Last September, the last gap in setting up the Council as an authority in professional boxing was bridged. Montano flew to Las Vegas, Nevada for the second annual convention of the NABF, which joined the Council.

"The effect of this merger will not be immediately felt," Montano said. "But the signs of ultimate Council triumph can already be perceived by those who know the score."

He noted that Council expansion was in the offing, with Central America distinct from that of South America, and the creation of a Pan-Pacific federation composed of Australia, New Zealand, and the Fiji island group.

"As the Council continues to grow," Montano averred, "we shall see the WBA shrivel to a point where only those American member commissions which actually do not have any professional boxing to speak of—whose sole function in the WBA in fact is to keep the clique in power with their votes—remaining as its only members."

Montano will not remain in boxing much longer. A successful businessman—he is president of the Ligaya Agricultural Corp., one of the biggest breeders of thoroughbred horses in the Philippines; a regional director of the Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines, a banker and a realtor—Montano is eyeing a political career.

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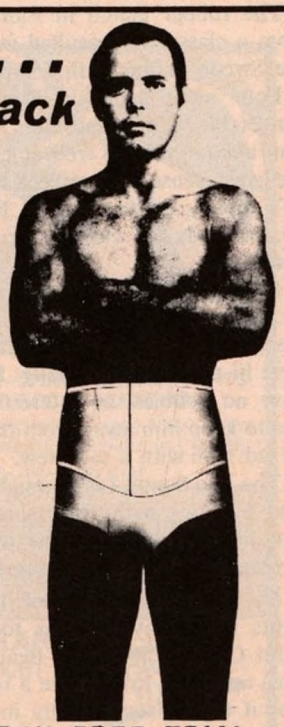

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of heavyweight title contention. If the Court holds off long enough, especially if there be a tendency in the direction of a favorable decision, we may find ourselves facing a series of three fights between Cassius and Joe.

A return match, then a rubber contest, and by that time George Foreman should be ready for his entry into the title arena. Madison Square Garden has been nursing George for the role. The nursing has ben expert, meticulous, intriguing.

We may find ourselves confronted with a picture resembling that of 1959, 1960 and 1961 when Floyd Patterson and Ingemar Johansson engaged in three fights, two of them in New York, and the sorry finale in Miami Beach.

It will be recollected that Patterson lost the first challenge of the Swede, who stopped Floyd in three rounds. Johansson lost the second fight, leaving Patterson with the singular distinction of being the only heavyweight to regain the title after having lost it. Floyd took that one in five.

The rubber match in Florida was far from a classic and resulted in kayoing of the Swede in the sixth round.

Four more fights, in Europe, against run of the mine opposition, and Johansson announced his retirement. He had the good sense and respect for the public's money to stay retired. Now, at age 39, he finds his cleavage from the ring automatic.

Patterson, on the other hand, continues to stick to the odd notion that he still has to prove himself as a fighter. Reports have hi mloaded financially. He seems to have no hobbies, no interests, no family ties to keep him away from the glove life. A sad man with a sad view.

The late Sonny Liston might have gone into a series with Patterson. But those two first round knockouts of Floyd destroyed any chance of a third meeting.

So did the outcome of Liston's two fights with Clay. Cassius took the title from Charley at Miami Beach in seven. This appeared to condone a return match and it took place pitifully in the limited confines of a prep school hockey rink in Lewiston, Me.

The one round mess of confusion wrote no glittering chapter into fistic history. The match, as it was, stunk to the blue heavens over Maine.

Clay's two fights with Henry Cooper resulted in KO defeats for the Briton—in five rounds, with a knockdown against Cassius, in 1963, and six rounds three years later. No third meeting was in demand anywhere in the civilized world.

George Chuvalo's ability to last 15 rounds with Cassius at Toronto in 1966 created no belief that the result was anything but a freak, and did not spawn a second meeting.

Jersey Joe Walcott and Ezzard Charles developed a rivalry which called for three meetings, the last of which found Joe with the title. This he lost to Rocky Marciano.

Walcott left doubt in some minds that Rocky truly was his master, so they met a second time, and what a stinker that was. A couple of Marciano punches and Walcott was on the floor. If you will consult the list of great fights for the heavyweight title you will find that one missing conspicuously.

Marciano also went into the ring twice with Charles, who lasted 15 rounds in the first and was stopped in 8 in the second. There was no popular outcry for No. 3. In any event, after knocking out Charles, Marciano made only two more appearances, in KO victories over Don Cockell and Archie Moore. Then he announced his retirement. He never went back on that decision.

Joe Louis's record of 71 contests shows no third meeting with anybody. If, as sometimes was the fact, Joe left something to be desired in his first look at a heavyweight, his second dissipated any talk about No. 3.

His list of two-time opponents includes Arturo Godoy, Billy Conn, Buddy Baer, Abe Simon, Bob Pastor, and Max Schmeling.

Many of the out-of-the-ring embellishments of the Frazier-Clay big business were beyond belief.

First, there was the payment of $2,-500,000 to each of the contestants. Incredible, inflationary, leading to wonder how the promoters could produce an encore, financially.

Second, there was the fact that the Madison Square Garden establishment was forced to take in a partner, who in turn had to bring Jack Kent Cooke into the picture as a guarantor.

Behind Cooke's involvement lay two factors—his participation in the profits, if any, and his receiving assurances that his Forum at Inglewood, Cal., where George Parnassus is the boxing director, would land No. 2 in the Frazier-Clay series.

Parnassus long has protested his lack of interest in the heavyweight championship. But Cooke has other ideas.

Once Cooke and Parnassus get their feet inside the door the Garden may not become too joyous about the association. It would not make the New York outfit too happy if the Forum in California were to get the free run of the field from the little guys right through the heavies, whom Cooke and Parnassus have not exploited in their arena near Los Angeles.

OLD BROADWAY

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lone. Jo writes that her husband and herself were made honorary members of Ring 32, of Detroit, and also an associate member of Ring 30. Vince long has been a member of Ring 1, of Philadelphia, and his wife an honorary member.

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From Sonny Palazzo, P.O. Box 2053, Seattle, Wash., comes the following: "A great friend and coach of boxing passed away recently, Gene Bell, age 62. He was trainer of Boone Kirkman during his amateur days at the Knights of Columbus Gym."

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Tony Tufo, former New York boxer, wants his pals in Saratoga to know everything is O.K. with him again. Tufo was one of the men behind the dinner last Summer to Bob Pastor up at the Spa. Unfortunately Tony lost his home in Saratoga by fire. He is back in Yonkers and thanks Scoop Gallelo, President of the VBA, and Ring 30, for helping his family back on their feet.

Tufo reminds us of four champions from his original location — Joe Lynch, Johnny Dundee, Petey Scalzo and Frankie Genaro. He recalls Jack Bernstein, ex-junior lightweight boss, hailing from Yonkers, as well as Jack Britton.

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A happy trio often seen together consists of former Mt. Vernon Mayor, exboxer and judge, Joseph P. Vaccarella; Jimmy Vee, well known M.C. and brother-in-law of ace announcer Johnny Addie—and Happy Carideo, of Mount Vernon's with Department of Public Works.

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The standing ovation given lightweight king Ken Buchanan, of Edinburgh, Scotland, following his brilliant victory over hitherto unbeaten Donato Paduano, before Cassius Clay stopped Oscar Bonavena in New York's Madison Square Garden was an event. Buchanan, who won the crown from Ismael Laguna, was a refresher.

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Jack 'Doc' Moore, the octogenarian, who recently found himself hospitalized, caught up with many old cronies. Two of them were K.O. Lou Boch, a boxing promoter from Wilkes Barre, Pa., for whom "Doc" was matchaker for fifteen years, and Henry 'Hank' Stezar, boxing and wrestling promoter from Scranton, Pa., with whom Moore was associated for twenty years.

BACKUS WON TITLE BUT DIDN'T COLLECT A DIME

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Memorial. Though he lost some road decisions, he came into this bout with a record of seven in a row, and hadn't lost in Syracuse since he dropped a 10-round decision to Billy Anderson on Oct. 30, 1964. His most recent loss anywhere was to Jerry Pellegrini in New Orleans.

Billy's bristling bouts with Percy Pugh, here and in New Orleans, helped project him into the welter rankings. One of his notable triumphs was a 10-round decision here last July against highly-rated Manny Gonzalez.

Despite his home-town successes, Backus didn't get big money here. The Canastota Boxing Club had several costly Backus promotions, some of them traceable to poor judgment in selection of fight dates.

The title bout served as a reward for the persistence of Tony Graziano, Backus' manager, a Canastota restaurateur who also managed Basilio during the early days of Carmen's career.

Backus ascended the throne after just 42 fights, the same number as Napoles had listed. Billy now has a record of 28 wins, 10 losses and four draws.

Though New York ring law forbids inclusion of a return-bout clause in contracts, it was admitted that an "understanding" was reached to give Napoles a crack at the title in the event Backus won. It is believed that the two fight again in three or four months, probably in Los Angeles, where a capacity crowd would be assured.

Meanwhile, Backus' manager has been besieged with offers, including one from Madison Square Garden for a title bout. Billy would like to have a few non-title affairs before putting his crown up for grabs, and he hopes to have at least one more in Syracuse.

"GREATEST FIGHT I EVER SAW" REVIVES SPECTACULAR MEMORIES OF RING STAFFERS

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classic, powerful drama. Everything pertaining to the extravaganza was melodramatic. The late Tex Rickard was brought into the picture after a number of other title matches staged beneath Coogan's Bluff were not profitable.

Ticket booths outside the now razed home of the Giants was a last minute setup, engineered by Rickard, aided by the late Mike Jacobs. The fight spelled danger to both contestants and some of the spectators. One of the temporary bleachers set up in the outfield collapsed.

But, ho, the fight! It lasted less than two rounds but we have a vivid recollection of what happened. Right off the reel Dempsey ran into a right, and went to the canvas. He was right up, surprised. Then the "Manassa Mauler" started to bounce the giant from the Argentine to the mat time and again.

The rule forcing a man scoring a knockdown to go to a neutral corner was not yet in vogue. The spectacle was unbelievable. Then came Dempsey's going through the ropes, helped back by a newspaperman. Firpo, strictly a right hand puncher, couldn't follow through.

Everyone in the ball park was screaming when round two started. Dempsey, whose seconds became panicky during the minute's rest and spilled the smelling salts, came out refreshed. Again he started his trip-hammer attack and after several more knockdowns stretched Firpo out for the full count.

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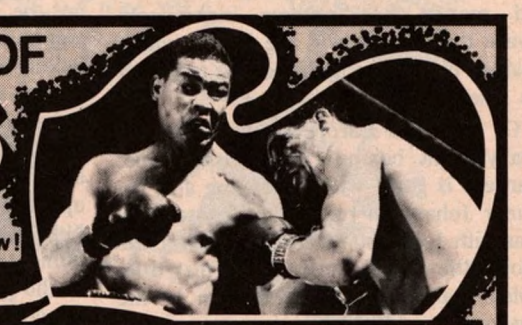

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HEAVYWEIGHTS

Jose Urtain kayoed Everett Copeland, 4. Joe Bugner outpointed Carl Gizzi, 10. Terry Daniels stopped Willis Earls, 5. Ernie Shavers haletd Lee Estes, 2.

Sylvester Dullaire and Jim Elder T.D. 1. Joe Shelton kayoed Aaron Eastling, 7. Dan McAlinden beat Lou Bailey, 8. Obie English decisioned Billy Freeman, 6. Eddie Duncan stopped Bob Jarrett, 2. Floyd Patterson halted Levi Forte, 2.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Billy Wagner kayoed Stu Gray, 3. Richie Kates beat Bob Simmons, 6.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Al Benoit beat Jose Chrino, 10. Willie Monror decisioned Alvin Phillips, 10. Al Cook outpointed Roni Nadler, 4. Bennie Briscoe halted Net Edwards, 2. Cassius Naito beat Lee Keun-Tak, 12, Orient Middleweight Title.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Adolph Pruitt beat Hedgemon Lewis, 10. Armando Muniz kayoed Jim Caffey, 7. Johnny Gant stopped Pat McCormack. Ernie Lopez decisioned Peter Cobblah, 10.

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Dorman Crawford kayoed Jose Flores, 1. Gil King beat Paul Armstead, 10. Beau Jaynes decisioned Bill Whittenburg, 10.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Sugar Ramos lost to Antonio Amaya, 10. Tom Connors halted Jose Pagan, 2. Jimmy Anderson kayoed Bobby Hughes, 2. Al Ford stopped Chichi Ontiveros, 5.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

Tommaso Galli beat Luis Aisa, 15, EBU junior lightweight title. Yoshiaki Numata outpointed Rene Barrientos, 15, WBC junior lightweight title. Antonio Amaya won from Sugar Ramos, 10.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Yoshio Apollo beat Yon San, 10. Ricardo Arredondo kayoed Auguie Pantellas, 10.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Rafael Herrera beat Rodolfo Martinez, 12.

FLYWEIGHTS

Yoshiaki Matsumoto stopped Kon Jae-Nam, 8.

WANT TO LIVE LONG AND BE FAME'S CLOSE PAL? WIN HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE

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portant fights more often than might be expected. There was a time in Gene's life when he gave the impression that, to him, boxing was little more than a means to an end—and a not too welcome means at that, but in later life the old marine has become increasingly aware that boxing was the ladder which enabled him to reach the heights to which he rose in later life.

Of the three Europeans who won the heavyweight boxing championship, one, Carnera is gone, with Schmeling and Ingemar Johansson remaining. Those familiar with Johansson's operations overseas show little concern over the former titleholder's ability to hold his own in the business world. Never one to miss a chance to make a dollar or to put one away, Ingo is engaged in a variety of enterprises in Sweden. Until professional boxing was banned there he was a back stage maneuverer in several grandiose promotions which never came to fruition.

In common with his three-time rival, Ingemar, Floyd Patterson, who lost and then won back the title from the Swede, also knows what to do with a dollar. Any man's worth must have a touch of mystery but there is a unanimity of opinion among those who are supposed to know that Floyd Paterson, saving Tunney, is the wealthiest of the former world champions. According to the record book Patterson grossed more money than any of them, $7,700,000, and he is said to have held on to enough of it to put him in the millionaire class.

Although his wife is reported to be most persistent in urging him to call it a career, Patterson, for all his mania for isolation and remote retreats, is no different from his more gregarious counterparts. Like them, he is finding the lure of the ring, with its roaring crowd, opening gong, and victory gesture a magnet of irresistible power, which once experienced is rarely relinquished except under the duress of physical inability.

Fame is not always the barometer of usefulness. The renown which comes to a heavyweight champion of the world can not be exceeded but for value to the community. Jersey Joe Walcott's post-boxing activities have had results worthy of any world famed figure. Since his involvement in youth work shortly after he called it quits in the ring, Jersey Joe's efforts have evoked nothing but glowing appraisals. So much so that the Camden N.J. man tried for public office in his home town. He discovered that success in the game of politics is not always contingent on service to the community or to past celebrity. There are other factors, not all of them relevant, to proper selection. Walcott lost but despite this has continued to add to his reputation as one of the most conscientious and effective workers and advisers among the youth of the area.

This should come as no surprise fo in this particular vocation Jersey Jo has a lot going for him. In a world cham pion fighter few things impress the ob streperous, the truculent and the over aggressive as strongly as a boxing back ground. When the counselor is a worl champion the impact is indelible, Wal cott possesses a fatherly persuasivenes which augments his past in pugilism, h speaks clearly, sensibly and well, and ha an air of sympathetic understanding. N wonder that he has been so successfu in this field. Cinderella man, James J. Braddock, another Jerseyman lives quie ly and conservatively in North Berge N.J.

When Muhammad Ali insists that I is the real reason for the unheard five million dollar guarantee, he is clo to the truth. Clay parlayed controver and charisma plus ability into a payd beyond the dreams of all those who pr ceded him as champions of the worl Joe Frazier's contribution to this min boggling bonanza was ability and a fla for the breaks.

Last but far from least of the 12 livin champions, Jack Dempsey has spent a lifetime in the limelight. Comfortably situated, Dempsey has gone a long way towards repaying his debt to boxing by allowing himself to be used as a showcase for the sport these many years.

While benefiting himself in the process. Honors and awards never cease to head the way of the perennial champion. Jack set a record for the number of events celebrating his 75th birthday last year. The most recent of his innumerable citations was the award as the "Athlete of the Century" by the National Cartoonists Society. Dempsey epitomizes the unending idolatry of the heavyweight champion of the world by the public.

Anderson, Not Davis, Won Fight in Washington

Washington, D.C.—A bulletin from the Washington Commission was responsible for an error in the February issue of THE RING. A report had Adrian Davis, of Washington, beating Alvin Anderson, of Baltimore. Anderson won the fight.

Anderson, who is a fine prospect, entered the ring second choice and made a creditable showing. He is a welterweight.

BOXING QUIZ

1. **Which was the first world heavyweight championship fight that was televised?**
   Ans: Joe Louis vs. Jersey Joe Walcott on Dec. 5, 1947 at Madison Square Garden, New York City.
2. **Who was the shortest heavyweight champion of all time? Who was the tallest?**
   Ans: Tommy Burns, 5′ 7″. Jess Willard, 6′ 6¼″.
3. **Who was the first Jewish fighter?**
   Ans: Daniel Mendoza who started boxing in 1784.
4. **Which fight holds knockdown record for a single fight?**
   Ans: Battling Nelson (7) vs Christy Williams (42) for a total of 49 knockdowns. Dec. 26, 1902.
5. **What was the longest held title in featherweight class?**
   Ans: Johnny Kilbane—11 years and 3½ months (February 22, 1912 to June 2, 1923).
6. **Who was the first Negro to win a world boxing championship?**
   Ans: George Dixon when he defeated Nunc Wallace by a knockout in 18 rounds on June 27, 1890. Weight 113 pounds.

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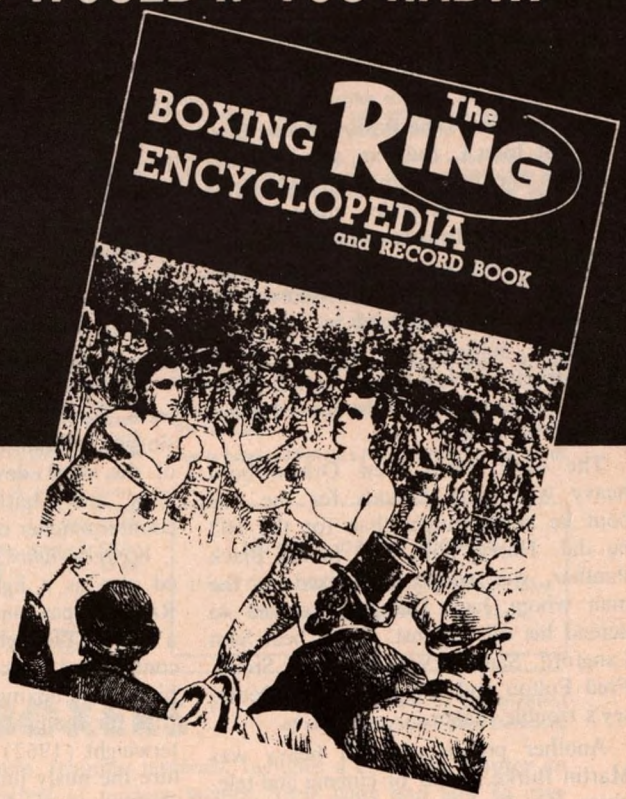

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NEW ORLEANS FISTICALLY RICH IN OLD DAYS, OPULENT TODAY

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New Orleans include Bernard Vitrano, Felix Lopinto and Jimmy White.

Messina ranks as one of the most colorful characters in the city's long history, joining such flamboyant figures of the past and present as Broadway Johnny Cox, Lew Raymond, Whitey Esneault, Diamond Jimmy Moran, Duke Durel, Charlie Rodriguez, Al Pillsbury, Dominick Tortorich and Tony Marullo. Managers, trainers, officials, promoters or matchmakers—all served well the sport they loved.

A capsule of New Orleans boxers and boxers who have made Crescent City ring history:

Heavyweight—The Boston Strong Boy, the great John L. Sullivan, put New Orleans on the fistic map with two fights The last bare-knuckle championship bout, pitting Sullivan and Jake Kilrain in Richburg, Miss., was planned and launched from New Orleans and refereed by Orleanian John Fitzpatrick.

John L. subsequently lost his title to Jim Corbett in New Orleans on September 7, 1892, in one of the most famous fights of all time.

The most noted New Orleans-born heavy was more famous for the one bout he never fought than for the 102 he did. Harry Wills, the famed Black Panther, was widely publicized as the man whom Jack Dempsey refused to defend his title against. Harry beat Sam Langford, Sam McVey, Gunboat Smith, Fred Fulton and Willie Meehan, Dempsey's trouble maker.

Another prominent local heavy was Martin Burke, father of cinema and television star Paul Burke. Marty was good enough to tangle with Gene Tunney and Tommy Loughran in the 1920's.

Light heavy: Leading the parade of New Orleans light heavyweight lights is former titleholder Willie Pastrano. "Will-O-the-Wisp" started off as an overweight teenager who began boxing to shed surplus poundage. Slimming down to welterweight proportions, Willie campaigned in three weight divisions. Along the way, he whipped Joey Maxim, Rex Layne, Bobby Dykes, Brian London and Wayne Thornton.

The zenith of Willie's career came in 1963, when he beat Harold Johnson for the world championship via a 15-round decision in Las Vegas. He defended the title twice, stopping Greg Peralta and Terry Downes.

Willie retired in 1965, following a title-losing kayo at the fists of Jose Torres. Never a standout puncher, the wily Pastrano was rated by many as the most fluid boxer in his division since Jimmy Slattery.

A well-known local cruiserweight was rugged Ralph Chong, who went 10 rounds with Billy Conn in 1935. Chong is the uncle of middleweight Tony Licata.

Middleweight: While New Orleans has not been blessed with an abundance of great middleweights, the city has always turned out in mass to support good 160-pound scrappers. Perhaps because of their popularity, great middleweights have always made New Orleans one of their favorite visiting spots.

All-time greats Harry Greb and Jimmy Clabby made lasting impressions during their frequent appearances in the 'teens. Jeff Smith, probably the best middleweight never to hold a title, boxed in New Orleans 11 times against Greb, Gene Tunney, Chuck Wiggins and Marty Burke. Jeff suffered the only kayo of his long career at the hands of local Young Marullo in 1925.

During the '30's and 40's, black hopes Holman Williams and Cocoa Kid fought six of their memorable 14-bout series in New Orleans. Williams also engaged Charley Burley in a three-bout series here during this period.

Best-remembered of the local entries were Happy Littleton, a boxer-turned-slugger, whom oldtimers recall as one of the most devastating hitters of the '20's, and Charlie Joseph, highly-rated counterpuncher of a decade ago.

Welterweights: Although he campaigned also as a lightweight and a middle, Ralph Dupas enjoyed his best success as a welter. The light-hitting Native Dancer confounded a decade of top-notchers with his nimble boxing. Although he failed in tries for the lightweight (1958) and welterweight (1962) crown, Ralph did capture the misty junior WBA middleweight championship by decisioning Denny Moyer in 1963.

Before he retired, Dupas had taken the measure of champions Joey Giardello, Paddy DeMarco and Virgil Akins as well as Kenny Lane, Vince Martinez, Gil Turner and Del Flanagan.

Before Dupas, New Orleans' best-known welterweight was Bernard Docusen. A splendid boxer, Bernard fought Sugar Ray Robinson for the welter title in 1948, when Robbie was at his peak. "Big Duke" stayed in contention for ten rounds, but faded in the stretch to drop a close 15-round decision.

Freddie Little, long-time junior middleweight ruler, was born in neighboring Bogalusa, was graduated from Dillard College in New Orleans and got his fistic start here.

Lightweight: Without question the most fertile division for New Orleans boxers. Leading the pack is Hall-of-Famer Tony Canzoneri, born in nearby Slidell and former champion Joe Brown.

Canzoneri, who fought in 21 title bouts, is fondly recalled here for 10-round wins over Eddie Kid Wolfe and Battling Shaw. The latter fight won Tony the junior welterweight title.

Brown won the lightweight championship from Wallace Smith and held it until 1962, successfully risking his laurels 11 times. "Old Bones" is alleged to be one of the hardest right-hand punchers in the history of the 135-pound division.

Space won't permit a complete listing of all the local lightweights who have achieved greatness and near-greatness, but a partial list would include Joe Mandot, Frankie Russell, Red Dolan, Maxie Docusen, Nick Cammarata, and Arthur Persley.

Other classes: No mention of New Orleans boxing would be complete without a recounting of the prowess of the legendary Pete Herman, twice bantam champ and Nat Fleischer's second ranked bantam of all time. Herman's greatest victory was his 17th-round knockout of Britain's Mighty Atom, Jimmy Wilde, in London.

Other redoubtable local warriors among the smaller men were Jimmy Perrin, Phil Virgets and Ervin Berlier.

As with any partial list, this one is thorough only in its incompleteness. It should suffice, however, to remind the reader of the rich heritage of the art of boxing in a city that is rightfully boastful of that reputation.

HERNANDEZ STOPS MARTINEZ ● AND OMAHA IS ECSTATIC ●

By Robert J. Ruiz

Omaha, Nebr.—At 28, Omaha's Art Hernandez has just begun to reach his peak. He needed just five rounds to hand Sal Martinez, Merico, his first kayo defeat in a 30 fight career.

Martinez entered with a 28-1-1 record, with 27 knockouts to his credit. The Mexican was greeted with a brutal barrage in the fist heat, and things got tougher as time went on. By the fourth, Sal was gory from a badly smashed nose. He kept coming at Hernandez with venom, hoping to land the big one. But Art stayed right on top of him.

Martinez refused to go down. Both fighters were blotched with Sal's cascading corpuscles, even the referee. At 2:04 of the fifth round, the referee haulted the action.

Art, celebrated his third consecutive KO triumph. For a man once considered strictly a counter-puncher, this is remarkable.

In the heavyweight semi-final, Buffalo's Vic Brown, 199, was impressive in battering Harold Carter, 181, Cleveland. Carter was ahead on points but Brown was too strong, too experienced. Carter was through after a left hook to the temple in round five but was allowed to fight on. A second knockdown followed, and the fight was stopped at 1:45.

Dick Pelster, 142, Norfolk, Nebr. flattened Ron Merriweather, 146, La., at 1:01 for a one round KO. John Gatus, 206, Omaha was too big for game Spider Jenkins 183, Springfield, Mo., Kayoing Spider at 2:53 of the fourth. Local Dale Hernandez, 136, KDd JoJo White of Muskegon, Mich., at 2:40 of the second round.

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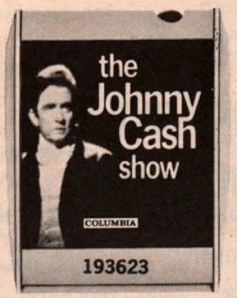

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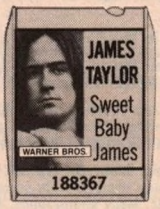

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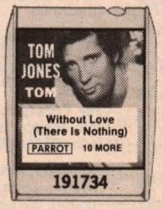

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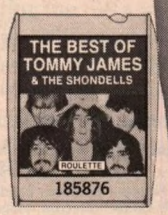

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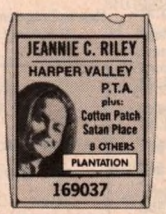

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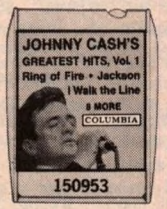

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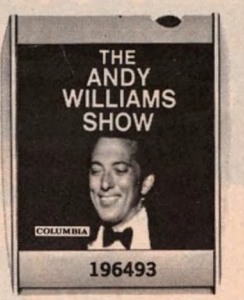

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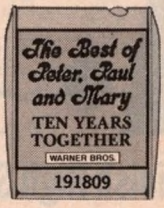

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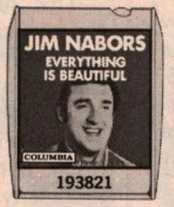

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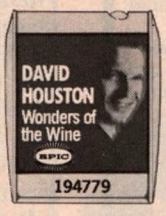

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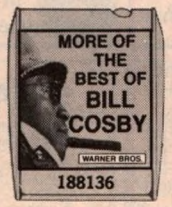

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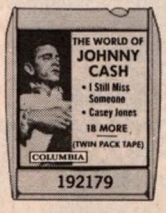

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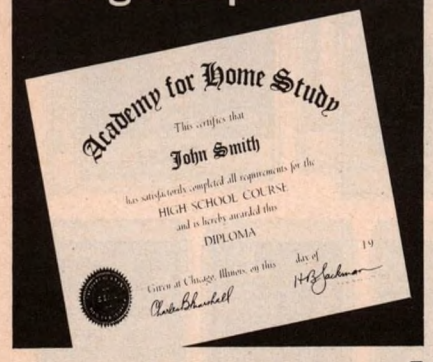

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LIGHT HEAVIES CAN'T DO IT AND FOSTER LEARNS EARLY

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Levinsky, Georges Carpentier, Battling Siki, Mike McTigue, Paul Berlenbach, Jack Delaney, Tommy Loughran, Maxie Rosenbloom, Bob Olin, John Henry Lewis, Billy Conn, Gus Lesnevich, Freddie Mills, Joey Maxim, Archie Moore, Harold Johnson, Willie Pastrano, Jose Torres, Dick Tiger and Bob Foster.

There also have been several "fractional" champions during the half-century span. The rivalry between the National (now World) Boxing Association and the New York State Commission was responsible for the confusion. Jimmy Slattery, Georgie Nichols, Melio Bettina and Anton Christoforidis were among those receiving recognition in various sectors.

There are those who maintain that Fitzsimmons was the first light heavyweight champion to acquire the heavyweight laurels. True, Ruby Robert was a light heavyweight in poundage (167) when he flattened Jim Corbett in Carson City, Nevada, in 1897, but he wasn't leader of the division at the time. He was middleweight champion.

It wasn't until 1903, after he had lost the heavyweight title to Jim Jeffries, that Fitz bid for the lighter championship and won it by outpointing George Gardner in San Francisco.

Gene Tunney has often been referred to as light heavyweight champion, but he acquired only the American title when he decisioned Battling Levinsky in New York in 1922. The world laurels were then held by Carpentier.

Root, the first light heavyweight champion, scaled 171 when he tangled with Marvin Hart in Reno in 1905 for the heavyweight title vacated by Jim Jeffries when he officially retired from competition. Root was demolished by Hart, who bounced the scale at a robust 190.

Tommy Burns, who dethroned Hart in Los Angeles the following year, actually was never much more than a lightheavy, whose best fighting avoirdupois usually was less than 180. He twice repulsed Philadelphia Jack O'Brien's bids for the heavyweight championship in 1907. Both bouts were held in Los Angeles. The first resulted in a draw, with Burns the winner in the second.

Philadelphia Jack, who had relieved Fitzsimmons of the lightheavy title, weighed in at 163½ and 167 for the two bounced the scale at a robust 190.

Joe Louis eliminated a pair of light heavyweight champions in New York. John Henry Lewis failed to last one complete round against him in 1938, but Billy Conn tossed a real scare into him two years later, when Billy appeared to be on the way to winning. He became too cocky and essayed to slug with Shufflin's Joe. He paid for his audacy by getting flattened in the 13th round.

They hooked up again in 1946, but their years of service during World War II had taken much out of them both. It was a slow, dreary affair until Louis ended it in the 8th frame. Conn weighed 174 for the first meeting, but came in at a heavy 182 for the second. Louis was 199½ for the first clash, and 207 for the encore.

Archie Moore had two cracks at the heavyweight title and missed both times. Following Rocky Marciano's announced retirement in 1956, Moore and Floyd Patterson were nominated to compete for the vacant laurels. They met in Chicago, Patterson won on a 5th-round knockout. The previous year, in his final effort in the ring, Marciano knocked out Moore in 9 rounds in New York.

That old boxing adage that a "good big man can beat a good little man," may not always apply in this rugged trade. But it apparently rules when heavyweights and lightheavies are involved.

Even with his advantages in height and reach, Bob Foster learned the lesson that so many previous lightheavies had learned in their ambitious quest of boxing's highest award.

SHIBATA-SAIJYO FEATHER MATCH HAS JAPAN AGOG

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vs. Saijyo from abroad but it will have to take place in Japan, where it certainly belongs.

When they meet it is likely that there will be new national records for attendance and receipts.

This is the one fight the fans are waiting for here, just as the Frazier-Clay match is the one fight Americans are waiting for.

It is only too seldom that we face an internal situation like Shibata-Saijyo in Japan. If we are excited, we have good reason to be. Join us!

Alvie Miller Dead at 75

Lorain, Ohio—Alvie Miller, one of the best in Ohio's featherweight history, died in his native Lorain at the age of 76. Alvie was best known for his three losing title bouts with featherweight champion Johnny Kilbane. Kilbane defeated Alvie in 12 rounds in Youngstown, 12 again in Cedar Point and a third time in Lorain, in seven rounds.

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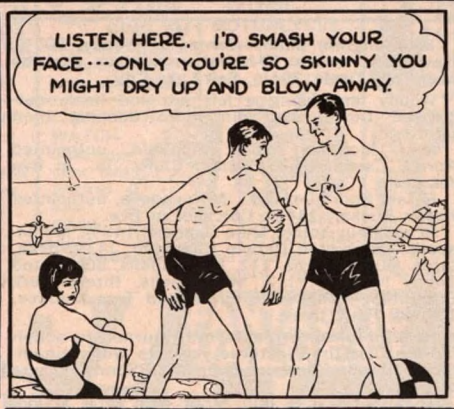

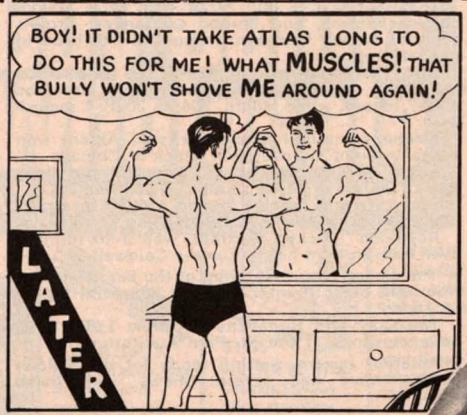

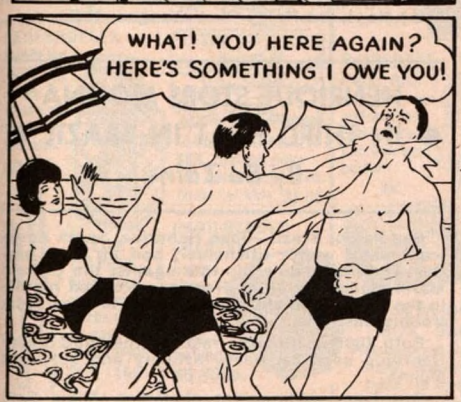

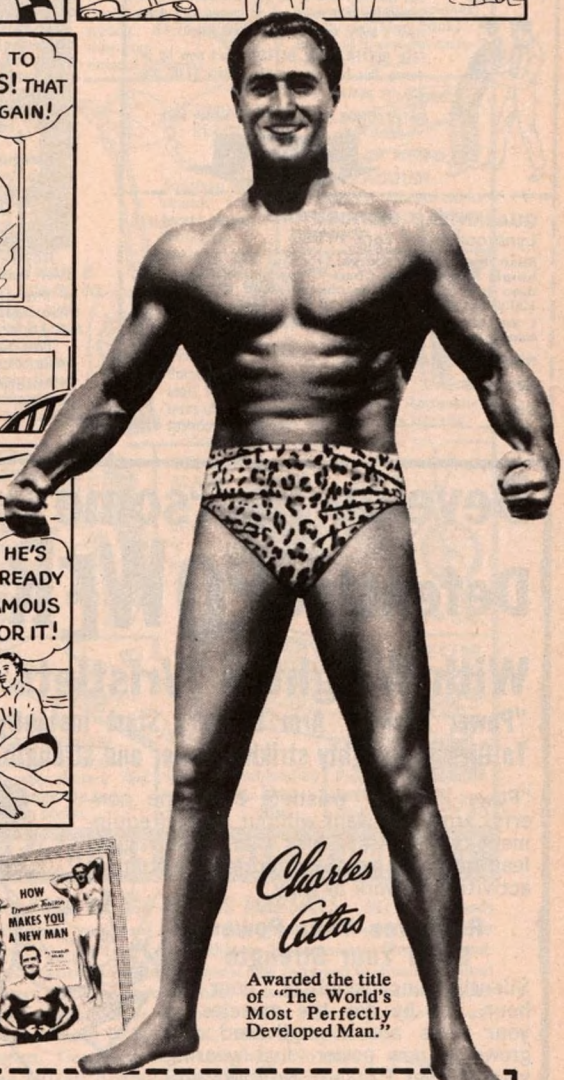

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WOODY MAKES IT THREE ● STRAIGHT OVER DOYLE ●

By George D. Blair

Bloomington, Minn.—James J. Woody, 203½, New York, won a 10-round unanimous decision over Tony Doyle, 204½, Salt Lake City.

Woody, employing a left jab and hook, outclassed Doyle, who did more dancing than fighting.

Mike Morgan, 156¾, Richfield, outpointed Adrian Carroll, 152, Council Bluffs, Ia., in five rounds.

Rafael Rodriguez, 147, Minneapolis, outpointed Kasim Puskar, 144½, Chicago, in five.

In amateur bouts, Mike Gephart, 146½, Minneapolis, outpointed Darwin Benjamin, 143, Anoka, three. Guy Ramirez, 112, Minneapolis, outpointed Bobby Neseson, 112, Minneapolis, three; Mark Briol, 149½, Richfield, outpointed Tom Maddox, 150, St. Paul, three.

► At Milwaukee, Ernie Terrell returned to action for the first time in three years to win a unanimous 10-round decision over S.D. "Sonny" Moore of Dallas.

The bout was a dull affair with little action, no knockdowns, and limited exchanges. Ernie's superior boxing kept him in control. He tired in the late rounds.

Only 1,207 fans paid $4,382 at the gate to see the action. Terrell, who weighed 222½, now has a 40-7 record, while Moore, 204, is 20-35-4 record-wise.

In the semi-final Mack Harrison, Akron, won a heavyweight six over Ben Black of Chicago.

Eddie Brooks, Milwaukee, knocked out Joey Ray of Akron in three rounds. Heavyweights.

Don Lutz and Frankie Wilson battled to a middleweight draw over six rounds.

Reynaldo "Rocky" Martinez, won a six-rounder over veteran light heavy Tommy Caldwell.

► The closed circuit showing of the Frazier-Foster title fight drew a small crowd of 988, with a gate of $6,222.

The Clay and Bonavena TV drew 1,200 fans, both showings at the St. Paul Auditorium.

► Amateur boxers, getting ready for the Golden Gloves, have had several shows, with these results:

Minneapolis—Gary Struss, St. Paul, decisioned Marc Hans. Minneapolis, three, light heavies.

Minneapolis—Marc Hans, Minneapolis, decisioned Dave Skog, Minneapolis, three, light heavyweights.

Minneapolis—Darwin Benjamin, Anoka, decisioned Bob Coolidge, Richfield, three, welters.

St. Paul—George Anderson, St. Paul, decisioned Don Albrecht, St. Paul, three, bantams.

Minneapolis—Guy Ramirez, Minneapolis, decisioned George Anderson, St. Paul, three, bantams.

► George Foreman, unbeaten heavy, has become a citizen of St. Paul. George has business interests in the St. Paul area.

► Dick Watzl, former St. Paul boxer, died recently in St. Paul. A tough middleweight back in the twenties, Dick joined the St. Paul police after his retirement from the ring.

► At Las Vegas, Lee Estes, 231, Minneapolis, was stopped by the "Black Destroyer," Ernie Shavers, 209, Youngstown, in two rounds.

CANADIAN SOLONS ORDER ● PADUANO TO DEFEND TITLE ●

By Frank Allnutt

Toronto, Can.—The Canadian Boxing Federation has ordered Donato Paduano, Montreal, to defend his Canadian welterweight title against Clyde Gray, Toronto. The Montreal fighter has not defended his title since March 1970.

Canadian champions and top contenders are as follows:

Heavyweight Champion, George Chuvalo (Toronto). No. 1 Bill Drover (Wabush). Light heavyweight Champion, Al Sparks, (Winnipeg). No. 1, Ed Ostapovich (Vancouver). Middleweight Champion, Dave Downey, (Halifax). No. 1, Johann Louw (Edmonton). Welterweight Champion, Donato Paduano (Montreal). No. 1, Clyde Gray (Toronto). Jr. Welterweight Champion, Reynald Cantin (Montreal) No. 1, Art Jones (Montreal). Lightweight Champion, Al Ford (Edmonton). No. 1, Leo Noel (Moncton). Jr. Lightweight Champion, Les Gillis (New Waterford. No. 1, Ferd Beaudin (Montreal). Featherweight Champion, Rocky MacDougall (Sydney, N.S.) No. 1, Billy McGrandle (Edmonton). Bantamweight Champion, Jack Burke (Saint John N.B.) No. 1, Art Hafey (New Glasgow, N.S.).

HENRIQUE STOPS MOLINA ● IN THIRD HEAT IN BRAZIL ●

By Bo Zaine

Sao Paulo, Brazil—Joao Henrique, South American junior welter titleholder, had an easy payday when defending his title against the Chilean Mario Molina. In 1969, Henrique stopped his foe in the 12th round and was expected to have some trouble this time.

Both fighters opened fast. In the third round Henrique used his heavy artillery and out went Molina.

Brazilian middleweight champion Alipio Colli kayoed Renato Reale in the fourth round. Junior welter Gerson Honorato outpointed Miguel Leite in six.

► Miguel DeOliveira ran up his 18th straight victory when he decisioned Walter Kelly from Canada. Kelly managed to stay the 10 rounds due to good footwork. It was the second win over Kelly for DeOliveira. They are middleweights.

Lanky Sebastiao Souza won on disqualification over Alvacir Doria in the seventh round of a middleweight fight. Lightweight Pompilio Genico stopped Diogo Sanches in the fifth round.

● TERRY DANIELS WINNER ●

By Elliott H. Harvith

Cleveland, Ohio—Flint heavyweight "Joe "The Toy Block" Byrd was stopped in the second round by Terry Daniels at the Arena. The Toy Block now owns an 11-14-1 record. James J. Davis, Detroit, lost a six-rounder to James Parks, Cleveland. Davis is now 10-5-1.

► **Omaha**—Dale Hernandez KOd Muskegon lightweight John White in round two. White's record dropped to 2-4.

► Harry Robertson, Port Huron lightweight from 1928 to 1938, recently released from hospital. The Dearborn Press will sponsor the opening Detroit Golden Gloves and Detroit Edison the remainder.

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ALONG THE VBA TRAIL

By Scoop Gallello

International President

Ring No. 26, host of the International VBA Convention in Albany, has donated $1,000 to the VBA.

Gene Burton, a ranking welter and middleweight during the early 50s, has died. He was a stablemate of Ray Robinson, and acted as Ray's "nightstick." They had to get by Burton before beging considered for Robinson.

Billy Ames, former boxing manager and publicity director for Narragansett Park, passed away at age 86.

International VBA Ladies Auxiliary now boasts 40 members. Eligibles can join by writing to President Jo Handley, 40 South Market St., Duncannon, Pa..

Clarence "Champ" Snell goes on his merry way helping out the kiddies of his area. Champ, other than being a champion of the kids, is a champion bowler of sorts. Champ has 60 youngsters in his boxing school.

Hughie Tatzel, 6-foot featherweight who boxed on the National A.C. championship team of yesteryear, has many fond memories. Hughie recalls boxing at the Knights of St. Anthony, Corona K of C, Astoria K of C and The Lyceum, with Benny Nabors, Izzy Grove and Tony Canzoneri.

Artie Levine, who had Sugar Ray Robinson "on the deck" when Ray was at his best, is recuperating in Hollis Hills.

Chester Richard Rico, son of former lightweight Chester Rico, has been named the "Sailor of the Month." Richard is a 3rd class Petty Officer attached to the Undersea Warfare Unit in the Atlantic.

Johnny Lo Bianco, veteran boxing referee, has moved to New Hyde Park, N.Y.

Al Miller, VBA No. 8, a Brooklyn police officer and Carmine Fatta, former lightweight contender, have been appointed to the New York Commission as Inspectors.

Bobby Brandt, Secretary of VBA No. 30 of Westchester County, has received his second's license.

Hall D. Craney, boxing promoter in Maine, passed away at age 48.

VBA No. 34 of Monmouth, N.J., recently held its elections and came up with this slate: President, Adrian Bailey; First V.P., Tom Browne; Second V.P., Danny Seme; Third V.P., Patsy Spataro; Secretary, Bill Colton; and Jerry Cassale, Treasure.

Frank Muzzi of VBA No. 34, passed away from a heart seizure while distributing Thanksgiving baskets for the needy.

VBA No. 10 is the latest group to join the International VBA. It holds monthly meetings at the Castle Hill Gym. It elected these officers: President, Joe Freyr; Vice President, Bill Murphy; Recording Secretary, Joe Santarpia; Treasure, Sal Pignone; 2nd V.P., Jerry Tramontano; 3rd V.P., Steve Belloise; Sgts. at Arms, Pablo and Ralph Manna.

VBA No. 5, Farrell, Pa., is honoring former boxer Mike Palumbo with a dinner. Mike is being inducted into the Mercer County Hall of Fame. He is 65 years old and trains a group of youngsters at the Sharon Buhl Club.

Lulu Constantino, fistic contender a few years back is managing a restaurant on the Jericho Turnpike, in Smithtown, L.I.

Don Oberman, former Golden Glover and son of Lou Oberman, of VBA No. 8, is a star soccer player at New York Tech in Old Westbury, N.Y.

► **Paterson, N.J.:** Sheriff Frank Davenport, National VBA Representative and Passaic County Chairman of the Republican Party who was honored at Ring No. 9's Annual Dinner stated that although he never participated as a fighter, he followed the sport as a youngster, and continues to do so today. Davenport believes that the most effective way to combat juvenile delinquency is to promote juvenile decency, and the record shows that this is what the world's oldest competitive sport—boxing—teaches.

AMATEURS IN SPOTLIGHT

IN JERSEY COMPETITION

By Ronnie "Burns" Bouse

Jersey City, N.J.—Boxing in this state lately has featured the amateurs. Results:

JERSEY CITY

120 Pounds—Jim Marcardo of Paterson beat Teddy Davenport, Johnson AC (dec.).

126 Pounds—Eddie Rodriguez, Jersey City, beat Bob Paterson of Johnson AC (dec.).

126 Pounds—Curt Harris, Castle Hill AC beat Lou Vazquez, Johnson AC (dec.).

135 Pounds—Ty Dennis, Johnson AC, lost to Ralph Noel, Jersey City AC.

155 Pounds—John Magner, Meadowbrook AC, beat Jerry Trem of Castle Hill AC (dec.).

175 Pounds—Bernie Wilson, Jersey City AC, defeated Rosie Bowman, Newrk AC (dec.).

160 Pounds—Larry Gigliello, unattached, stopped Stan Kemp, Bayonne (1).

Heavyweight—Jesus Baez, Hudson AC, stopped Bob Rooney, Bayonne AC, (2).

ELIZABETH

135 Pounds—Bob Patterson, John AC, beat Jerry Kemp, Trenton PAL (dec.); Georgia Diaz, Trenton PAL, TKOd Nor Rosado, Perth Amboy AC (1); Don Richardson, Kearny PAL TKOd Bill Richardson, Trenton PAL (3); Lou Lawson, Newark Dukers, TKOd Clem Snead, Trenton PAL (1); Don Law, Trenton PAL, TKOd Willie Jones, Rahway Rec. (3); Rich Rivers, Trenton PAL, TKOd Don Jones, Middletown AC (2); Clay Garnett, Trenton PAL, beat Bob Goode, Rahway Rec. (2); Ron McKenna, Trenton PAL, beat Rad Quinones, Newark Dukers (dec.); John Speight, Newark Dukers, TKOd Lee Brown, Trenton PAL (2); Ed Daniels, Trenton PAL, won by default over Will Rosado, Perth Amboy AC; Garland Freeman, Trenton PAL, TKOd Bob Colie, Plainfield AC (3); Dennis English, Trenton PAL, TKOd Lewis D'Chiccio, Middletown AC (1); Mike Bullock, Johnson AC, deefated Emmett Griffin, Trenton PAL (dec.); Ken Griffin, Trenton PAL, TKOd Ron Buck, Middletown AC (1). drew a standing ovation with Cokes rocking Richardson in the second, and Richardson hurting Cokes in the ninth.

ELIZABETH

(Golden Gloves, Second Round)

126 Pounds—Will Santiago, Paterson AC, TKOd Bob Heathea, Trenton PAL (3); Curt Bell, Trenton PAL, beat Pat Fiore, Middletown AC (dec.); Bern Ported, Trenton PAL, beat Don King, Johnson AC (dec.); Herb Rodriguez, Newark AC, beat Sam Daniels, Trenton PAL (dec.); Ray Holmes, Rahway AC beat Doug Johnson, Trenton PAL (dec.); Ed Bozze, Trenton PAL, stopped Les McLendo, Kearny PAL (1).

135 Pounds—Melvin Daniels, Trenton PAL, won by default from Bruce Henderson, Johnson AC. Roy Bostic, Elizabeth AC, stopped Fletcher King, Trenton PAL (1).

147 Pounds—Steve Bishop, Trenton PAL, stopped Mike Philips, Johnson AC (3); Irv Payne, Johnson AC, beat Bob Clemes, Trenton PAL (dec.); Glen Fundenberg, Trenton PAL, stopped Ron Wynn, Plainfield AC (1); Frank Carfaro, McGee AC, stopped Barry Reeves, Trenton PAL (2); Jack McLaughlin, Trenton PAL, stopped Fred Scandle, Paterson AC (1); Cliff Pollard, Trenton PAL, beat Jose Abreu, Perth Amboy AC (dec.).

Jersey City, N.J.—Ten amateur bouts were held in the St. Peters gymnasium. Rich Villanueva, Jersey City Rec., put on a great fight to outpoint John Martin, Empire Sporting Club in a 135 pound match. Jim Healy, Empire, behind on points and two seconds left in the second, KO'd Bernie Wilson, Jersey City Rec. in a 175 pound bout. Juan Perez, Jersey City Rec. KO'd Steve Golfarb, unattached, in the first in a welter match.

Phil Russello, Jersey City Rec. battled his way to a win over Phil Tramantino, Castle Hill in a 155 pound contest.

Leo Colon, Jersey City Rec. drew with Jim Marcado, Paterson AC, 106 pounds. Herb Cintron, Jersey City Rec., defeated Ted Davenport, Paterson, 112 pounds. Ed Rodiquez, Jersey City Rec., won over Tony Vasquez, Castle Hill, 126 pounds.

Juan Perez, Jersey City Rec., defeated John Griffen, Castle Hill, 135 pounds. Denny Freyre, Castle Hill, won over Pab Nieves, Jersey City Rec., 126 pounds. Bob Rodney, Bayonne AC, defeated John Kane, unattached, in the heavyweight class.

HICKS STOPS SHEEHAN

IN EIGHT AT SCRANTON

By Vince Jim Leo

Syracuse, N.Y.—Tommy Hicks, 189, Ithaca, scored an eighth round TKO over Tom Sheehan, 208, Dunmore, Pa., at Scranton, Pa.

► Syracuse light heavy Hal Carroll, recovered from a foot injury is training again.

► Billy Backus's welterweight sparring mate Johnny "Golden Boy" Harp vocalizes with blues outfits when the opportunity arises.

► A high school student here making great strides in the amateur ranks is Chuck Walker, a light heavy who has been selected for the U.S. Olympic tryouts.

► Billy Shaw Jr., publicity man around Central N.Y. during the '50s, reecntly passed away in Syracuse.

► Former fighter Eddie Dempsey is in the hospital recovering from a heart attack.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

Mike Quarry Makes it 25 With Victory Over Vasquez

By DON FRASER

WOODLAND HILLS, Calif.—Mike Quarry, who just wants to be known as Mike Quarry, not anybody's brother, had too much skill for Armando Vasquez, 174, San Diego, at the Valley Arena.

Quarry was awarded a unanimous decision after ten interesting rounds. While not a heavy hitter like his brother, Mike is a fancy Dan and had little trouble handling Vasquez.

This was victory No. 25 for the 19-year-old Irishman, who weighed 173½. Mike lives in Anaheim.

Irish Mike Nixon, 157, San Francisco, stopped Tony Morales, 157½, Los Angeles, (2); Alberto Perez, 123, Mexico City, knockout Hector Zuniga, 124, Los Angeles, (1); Mike Mayan, 133, San Diego, drew with Memo Guerrero, 134, Los Angeles, (5).

► **Los Angeles**—Antonio Cervantes, a comparative unknown from Colombia, ended the win streak of Rodolfo Gonzalez in an upset at the Olympic.

Referee Lee Grossman stopped the bout at the end of the eighth round with gore gushing out of a cut over Gonzales' left eye.

Gonzales, of Guadalajara, Mexico, entered the contest with 22 straight wins—10 by knockout. Cervantes, newly arrived from South America, was making his Los Angeles debut.

It was a free swinging affair with Gonzales down in the first. Cervantes hit the deck in the third, shorty after Rodolfo was cut.

The gore bothered Gonzales, who after building up an early lead, was losing ground when the match was halted.

Two judges, Rudy Jordan and Abe Cohen, had Rodolfo in front by one point at the finish. Grossman favored Cervantes by a similar margin.

Gonzales, making his first start since May 7, weighed 136½; Cervantes was 135½. The crowd hit the 4000 mark.

In a companion 10-rounder, Martin Del Campo, 126½, Tijuana, a stablemate of Cervantes, decisioned Francisco Quiro, 127, Los Angeles.

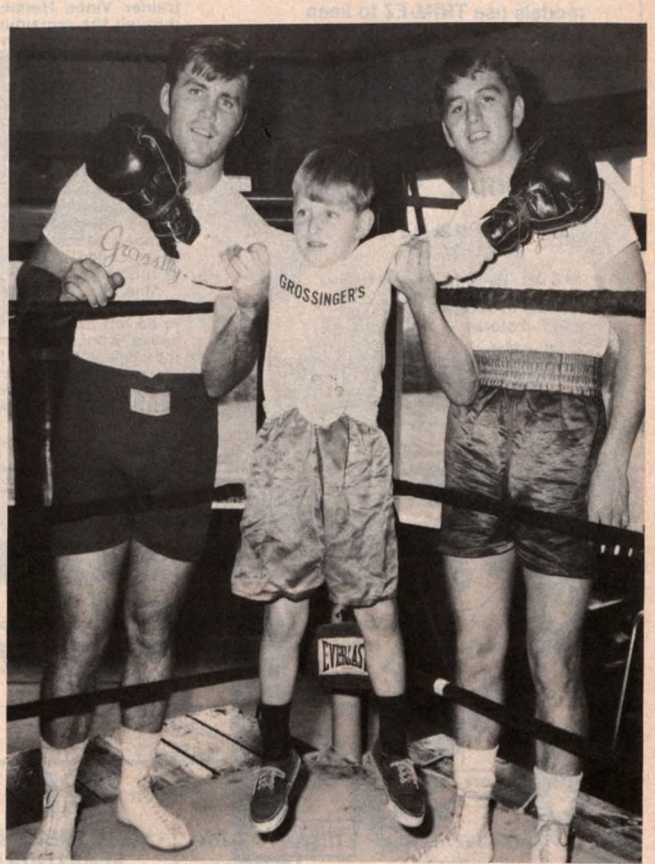
Buddy Bereal, 148, Torrance, stopped Oscar Rico, 147, East Los Angeles, (1); Gary Ferrari, 121, Los Angeles, and Tony Villanueva, 123, Glendale, drew (4), Freddie Jones, 141½, Los Angeles, and Eltefat Talebi, 146, Iran, drew (6).

► **National City**—A new boxing venture got under way at "CLUB 21", a right spot in this hamlet, located between San Diego and Tijuana, Mexico.

Manuel Andrade, 124, San Diego, outscored veteran pro Jose Valdez, 125, Tijuana, in a 10 rounds. Andrade's late rally made the difference.

Juan Montoya, 131, Tijuana, the brother of Lobito, nodded Jerry Williams, 132, Anaheim, in another ten.

Junior Robles, 150½, San Diego, stopped Frankie Bueno, 150, Los Angeles, (5); Faustino Robles, 120, San Diego, knocked out Canario Palafox, Tijuana, (1).



Mike Quarry (right), who scored his 25th victory over Armando Vasquez in Woodland Hills, Calif., recently, poses with big brother Jerry and little brother Bobby, who's seven years of age.

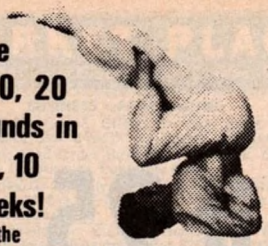
► **Stockton**—Jose Pimentel, 128, Los Angeles, twin brother of bantam contender Jesus, used body punches to slow down Roger Pedrano, 130, Manila, P.I., in the 10 round main event at Memorial Auditorium.

There was no doubt that the decision belonged to Pimentel after a hard fought battle.

Returning to action after a long layoff, Billy Walker, 147, Stockton, stopped Miguel Hernandez, 148, San Jose, in the fourth round.

Benny Garza, 144, and Tommy Greer, 140, drew in a six rounder.

► **Woodland Hills**—Nate Robinson, a slender Irishman out out of West Virginia, had an easy mark in Billy Stanley, 147, Los Angeles, at the Valley Arena. Nate was a knockdown winner in the third, after having *(Continued on page 62)*



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BROUGHTON'S FIRST DEFENSE OF ● CANADA TITLE A DISASTER ●

By Fred Bishop

Halifax, N.S.—Dave Downey, 159, Halifax, recaptured his prized Canadian middleweight title as he outpointed champion Gary Broughton, 159, Brantford, Ont., over twelve rounds.

Broughton, after hanging a ninth round kayo on Dave last August, was expected to repeat but the New York trained local fought the craftiest fight of his career as he out-jabbed, out-ran and outthought the heavier hitting champion.

Downey had Broughton in trouble in four different rounds, landing winning rights that hurt but would not be sucked in by the ever waiting champion who would go flat-footed with both hands cocked, expecting the old Downey rush. Dave went the other way.

Downey was cut in the sixth, from a right uppercut, near his left eye but fine corner work by trainer Vince Hennebury prevented any trouble through the remaining rounds.

Gary had welts under both eyes and a bruised forehead in a fight that featured no knockdowns.

The win for Downey left his record at 16-1-2. Both losses were knockouts while he in turn has scored twelve kayos.

Breakdown of the judges cards: Alex Nickerson, Downey, 6-3-3, Don Kerr, Broughton, 6-5-1, Harold Johnson, Downey, 6-4-2. The Ring card showed Downey 5-4-3. Downey will defend against Johan Louw, in May.

Gary Summerhayes, 173, Brantford, Ont., undefeated nineteen year old, upset local favorite Lambert MacIntosh, 168, Sydney, referee Jimmy Grieg called it off with just seven seconds to go in round five.

MacIntosh had taken a six count, got to his feet and ran straight into a left hook to the chin, to be left helpless. It was a fine win for Summerhayes who was scoring his fifth straight. MacIntosh was looking for his eighth straight kayo.

In six rounds, Gerry Burns, 154, Halifax, scored his fifth straight kayo as he stopped Don Boulter, 141, Victoria, P.E.I. in the fifth.

Boulter fought a fine fight against his heavier foe as he used a hit and run attack that left Burn's nose sore for a week. Burns came charging out with opening bell, throwing his right, intended for another first round kayo. He was fought to a standstill by the game Islander.

It was not till the final round that Burns really shook him up, landing three vicious rights. Boulter was driven across the ring and was draped over the ropes as referee Herb McMullin stopped it, at 1:18.

In the opener six, undefeated Levi Brown, 159, Preston, N.S. stopped gamecock Archie Lee, 161, New Glasgow, in the fifth of a small war.

Leroy "Rocco" Jones promoted a fine card, attended by 3,000, a good crowd on a poor night, a week before Christmas, paid $15,000.

Two of Halifax's most famous boxers of yore passed away this past month, George Latham, 89, former Canadian bantamweight champion, (1905-1909) who did most of his fighting out of Detroit in the early nineteen-hundreds, and Bernard "Kid" O'Neill, 80, who was Maritime lightweight and welterweight champion prior to the Great War (1914-1918).

On retiring from the ring he got interested in harness racing and became owner of the World famous Adio Guy, a Grand Circuit winner over the years. He sold this horse to a New York syndicate for $10,000 a notable sum at that time.

McNAMEE STOPS JETER ● IN FOUR AT PROVIDENCE ●

By Don Hamill

Providence, R.I. — Denny McNamee, 172½, Pawtucket, continued his winning ways and stopped Henry Jeter, 180½, White Plains, in the fourth round. After Jeter had been dropped in the second he lashed out with a desperation punch that momentarily wobbled McNamee.

Jeter was on rubber legs most of the third heat and was dropped twice more. The New Yorker went down in the fourth from a right to the top of his head but the knockdown wasn't allowed by referee Willie Pep. Moments later Pep stopped the bout as McNamee was subjecting Jeter to a bad beating.

Spider Freeman, 161, Roxbury, dropped Bruno Scholz, 166¾, Bridgewater, like a sack of potatoes in the second round. Scholz managed to get to his feet but was unable to defend himself and the bout was halted.

Roosevelt Brown, 167, Dorchester, toyed with veteran Johnny Fratius, 164½, Swansea, before putting over the crusher in the fourth round. Fratius was making the second fight of his comeback. He had been active from 1957 to 1960.

Marcelino Alicia, 140, Worcester, iced Leo Randolph, 141½, Brooklyn, in the second after having scored a knockdown in the first round. Lloyd Wilson, 127, Mount Vernon, outspeeded Tony Cruz, 130¼, Newark, in a lively four. Jose Pagon, 141, Lowell, whipped Johnny Pilla, 146, Waterbury, over the 12 minute route.

► **Portland, Me.**—Irish Beau Jaynes, 138, Lowell, New England lightweight champion, got the new year off with a bang by taking a lop-sided decision over Bill Whittenburg, 138, Wheeling, W. Va., in 10 rounds. Whittenburg proved to be durable. He suffered a bad cut in the fifth round. Bill was a late substitute for Al Hughes.

Johnny Hasson, 158, Hyde Park, Mass., copped a six round unanimous over Arthur Kettles, 150, Asbury Park, N.J. Hasson found Kettles elusive. Richie Seeley, 146, Boston, also had to chase Jose Pagon, 138, Lowell, to pick up a four round win. Eddie Ahlemeyer, 135, Portland, who formerly fought as the Knightsville Kid, battered Phil St. Cyr, 135, Westbrook, into submission in the first round. Skip Yeaton, 158, Portland, won the four round duke over ancient Bill Hardiman, 166, New York, who started boxing in 1946 as Baby Beau Jack.

► **Pittsfield, Mass.**—Bobby Richard, 130, Portland, regained the New England junior lightweight title from Terry Rondeau, 127, Pittsfield, by squeaking out the closest of split decisions in their twelve round affair. The bout followed the same pattern throughout with Rondeau getting a big lead in each round by battering Richard almost at will.

Rondeau would slow down late in the round while Richard came roaring back. Rondeau was the sharper puncher and earned the verdict fairly. Richard dropped the title to Rondeau in December and regained it in this, their rubber match.

Al Romano, 145, North Adams, needed four rounds to solve the style of Ivelaw Eastman, 145, New York, before he got rolling to win the eight round semi-final. The bout was marred by holding and mauling.

Art Young, 152, Dorchester, picked up a clear cut six round decision over Arthur Kettles, 147, Asbury Park, N.J. Mike Mullen, 124, Dorchester, nearly stopped Phil St. Cyr, 129, Westbrook, in the first round, and went on to win the four.

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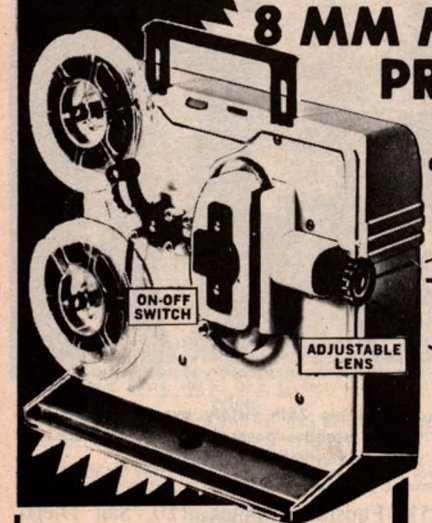

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BETHEA BEATS ROWE BUT SOME SEE IT OTHERWISE

By EDDIE LONG

LONDON, England—In one of the outstanding fights seen at Albert Hall, Tom Bethea, New York, 158½, gained a points verdict over former British middleweight champion Mark Rowe, Camberwell, 158, after ten exciting rounds. The score was 49¼-49 by referee Gibbs. This was tough on Rowe. He deserved better.

Bethea started well, with Rowe taking the eye and the points in the middle rounds, and a terrific struggle at the end, Rowe is a slow starter. He made up for it once he got his ring legs.

In the second round Rowe got a cut near the right eye, but good cornerwork patched this up. On occasion Bethea was inclined to hit with the open glove, which incurred warnings.

It looked a lost cause for Bethea in the eighth, but he revealed unspected sources of energy in the last two sessions, giving an impression of Cassius Clay as he shuffled his feet.

A great final round, neither giving ground, and both earned their cheers from an appreciative audience at the end.

Johnny Stracey, Bethnal Green, 142, stopped Ferdinand Ahumibe, Nigeria, 141½, in the fourth, when the latter was cut by the mouth and the left eye. Stracey outpunched his man. This was a little out of character for him, as he usually pays more regard to defence.

Substitute Amos Talbot, Manchester, 150½, gained a good points win over Peter Cragg, Letchworth, by 39½-38⅜, over eight. A fine contest, with moments of toe-to-toe exchanges. Talbot's southpaw stance appeared to fox Cragg. Although the latter made a grandstand finish Talbot merited his win.

Alan Burton, Battersea, 197½, remained unbeaten by stopping southpaw Paul Cassidy, Bournemouth, 179, in four. Cassidy rose from a count of eight, but was in no shape to defend himself.

Mick O'Neill, Colliers Wood, 160½, stopped Darkie Smith, Kentish Town, 163, in the sixth and final session after substitute Smith had been down once and on the receiving end.

Kevin (brother of Chris) Finnegan, Iver, 159¾, beat Maurice Thomas, Antigua, 162½, the bout being stopped in the sixth and final round. This was the last decision to be rendered by veteran

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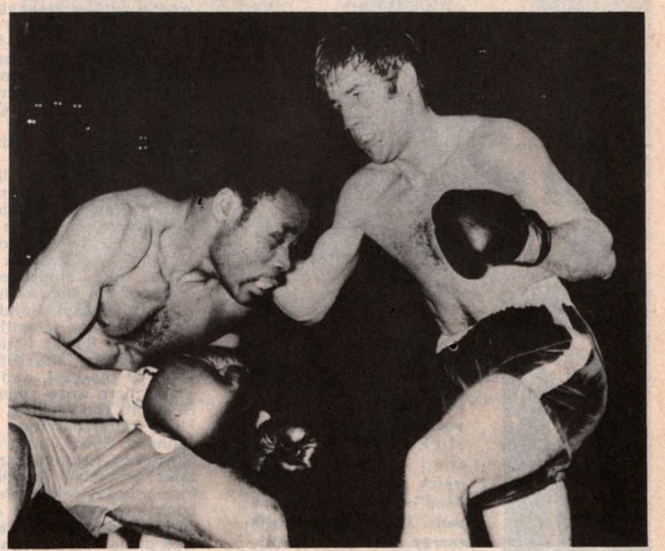

Tom Bethea ducks to avoid a right thrown by Mark Rowe during their middleweight contest held at Royal Albert Hall. Bethea captured the 10-round decision.

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(AS OF FEBRUARY 20, 1971)

HEAVYWEIGHT
Champion
Henry Cooper (E)
1. George Chuvalo (C)
2. Jack Bodell (E)
3. Joe Bugner (E)
4. Carl Gizzi (W)
5. Bunny Johnson (J)
6. Roy Enifer (E)
7. Ricky Campbell (An)
8. Roger Tighe (E)
9. Dan McAlinden (I)
10. Manivaka (T)

CRUISERWEIGHT
Champion
Eddie Avoth (W)
1. Dick Tiger (N)
2. Gomeo Brennan (B)
3. Chris Finnegan (E)
4. Roy John (W)
5. Guinea Roger (N)
6. Lloyd Walford (J)
7. Dave Hawkes (E)
8. Ray Brittle (E)
9. Trevor Thornberry (A)
10. Johnny Frankham (E)

MIDDLEWEIGHT
Champion
Bunny Sterling (J)
1. Mark Rowe (E)
2. Les McAteer (E)
3. Carlos Marks (T)
4. Harry Scott (E)
5. Tony Mundine (A)
6. Lloyd Duncan (J)
7. Kahu Mahanga (NZ)
8. Eric Blake (E)
9. Howard Sharpe (J)
10. Matt Donovan (J)

WELTERWEIGHT
Champion
Ralph Charles (E)
1. Bunny Grant (J)
2. Donato Paduano (C)
3. Peter Cobblah (G)
4. Johnny Cooke (E)
5. Teddy Meho (G)
6. Don Davis (J)
7. Eddie Blay (G)
8. Alan Moore (A)
9. Frank Young (E)
10. Colin Fraser (C)

LIGHTWEIGHT
Champion
Percy Hayles (J)
1. Ken Buchanan (S)
2. Joe Tetteh (G)
3. Lionel Rose (A)
4. Love Allotey (G)
5. Al Ford (C)
6. Brian Hudson (E)
7. John O Brien (S)
8. Ray Adigun (N)
9. Jeff White (A)
10. Jonathan Dele (N)

FEATHERWEIGHT
Champion
Toro George (NZ)
1. Jimmy Revie (E)
2. Evan Armstrong (S)
3. Jimmy Bell (S)
4. Tommy Glencross (S)
5. Billy McGrandle (C)
6. Ken Cooper (E)
7. Les Gillis (C)
8. Rocky McDougall (C)
9. Ken Bradley (A)
10. Hugh Barter (S)

BANTAMWEIGHT
Champion
Alan Rudkin (E)
1. Johnny Clark (E)
2. Paul Ferreri (A)
3. Bob Allotey (G)
4. Jackie Burke (C)
5. Tony Humm (E)
6. John Kellie (S)
7. Colin Miles (W)
8. Gareth Howells (W)
9. Paddy Maguire (I)
10. Alan Pressnell (A)

FLYWEIGHT
Champion
John McCluskey (S)
1. Henry Nissen (A)
2. Harry Hayes (A)
3. Maurice Steves (In)

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HOUSTON FEELS LOW AS ● FRAZIER-CLAY LOSER ●

By Harlan Haas

Houston, Tex.—The boxing climate around here is not good. Houston is suffering over loss of the Frazier-Clay fight to New York.

The Astrodome people had appeared to be certain to land the big contest. But overnight it slipped out of their hands.

Jack Kent Cooke, who owns the Forum at Inglewood, Cal., came up with a fabulous guarantee in conjunction with Madison Square Garden and hung the KO on Houston. Well, Houston will try again.

In the meantime there is no local action to report, and the news features reports on where they are now."

► Charles Terry, former pro boxer, and wife Blanche are proud of their new son Charles II. They recently had a photo of him in a boxing program, and at the age of three months he had on a pair of boxing gloves. Blanche is a sister of the late Joe Vasquez, who campaigned as a lightweight and welterweight throughout Texas and Louisiana in the 1950's.

Ralph Chong, the New Orleans middleweight and lightheavy who fought the best in the 1930's, is a merchant seaman. He always pays a visit to the Texas Boxing Gym here when he is in town. Whitey Berlier, New Orleans heavyweight of the 1940's and 1950's, is another merchant seaman who never fails to visit with his friends whenever he is in Houston.

Pinky Silverberg, lightweight who headquartered in Houston during the late 1940's, renewed acquaintances with old friends after an absence of 15 years. Pinky is a well-known chef and doing quite well for himself in the Midwest . . . Sol Moreno who trained Jimmy DeLeon, Alfonso Flores, Kid Campeche, and Willie Torres is the owner of the Ancira Club here.

Gary (Rocky) Randell reappeared upon the Houston scene recently after an absence of five years. The Rock's fistic career encompassed 156 battles during the 1950's and 1960's. He boxed some of the best, and his two knockouts of Ray Riojas here were among the all time thrillers in Houston. Tod Herring, who boxed Cleve Williams, Floyd Patterson, Tony Alongi, Zora Folley, Alonzo Johnson, Elmer Rush, Harold Cater, and Bill McMurray is a Houston insulator. Big Tod, 230, still talks of taking another crack at it . . . Another former heavyweight who often gets the urge to get back into training is Jeff Davis, a large citizen who stands 6-4, and weights 255. His last fight took place with Joe Frazier in 1967. Along the way he met Zora Folley, Ernie Terrell, Billy Daniels, Karl Mildenberger, Henry Cooper and Al Jones. Twice he boxed Cassius Clay as an amateur in 1959 and 1960.

Bobby Garcia who was active during the 1930's and fought Tony Canzoneri, Freddy (Red) Cochrane, and Baby Saban is a Houston masseur . . . Raymond Serrano, Texas welter king in 1947, who fought Henry Majcher, Joey Pirrone, Johnny Dabbs, and Knute Baker, is a local upholsterer. His son, Tino Zaragoza, is a freshman football player at SMU in Dallas . . . Otho Sligar, lightweight and welterweight of the 1940's and 1950's, is a prosperous bricklaying contractor in the Houston area . . . Frankie Wallace, who boxed the best of them in Texas, Louisiana, Florida, and Georgia in the 1940's and 1950's, is making it as a paint contractor . . . Other former Pro boxer still around Houston are Jo Jo Passante, Lou Jasso, Punching Paul Altman, Paddy McDuff, Jimmy DeLeon, Duke Smith, George Price, Jimmy Fields, Aman Peck, Stanley Jones, Mickey Brown, and Charlie Beasley.

Jasso has a bail bonding service; Jones is doing quite well contracting removal of trash from businesses; Mickey Brown is a well known local arson investigator; and Peck is at an elite shoe shine parlor, and trains fighters at night.

Jimmy Webb, light heavy contender in the 1940's, is a local motion picture projectionist and one of the country's finest referees. . . . Earl Keel, Oklahoma southpaw who had many fights on the West Coast under Suey Welch in the late 1940's and early 1950's, is in a trucking firm. Earl is also a fine referee . . . Steve Freeman, former national amateur champ, retired from pro boxing last year and is one of the top salesmen for the Specialties Company.

Sweet Raymond Boyd, Houston's zany Pink Panther, took Sal Ornealos out with a single right hand shot to the jaw at San Antonio. It was over in round two, and marked the twelfth consecutive victory for Boyd, tenth by kayo, during 1970 . . . Kenny Weldon, the Texas featherweight boss from Galena Park, was stopped in round two by Ricardo (Macanas) Garcia, Mexicali, in San Antonio. Weldon was advised by a physician to cancel out of the fight because of a severe glandular infection in his neck and he had been taking antibiotics.

He had not been able to spar for two weeks, but decided he needed Christmas money, and stepped into the ring—he hadn't gone a round when he knew he should have stayed in bed. He will not make that mistake again . . . Johnny (The Mad) Baldwin wound up 1970 by winning a 10-round decision over Don Cobbs, St. Louis. The pair collided in New Orleans.

Jesse Alaniz, Houston's fighting ex-Marine, made his first appearance in Dallas and dropped a four round duke to Richard Cole, who was making his first pro start. Alaniz, a flyweight on the U.S. Marine Corps boxing team from 1953 to 1957, is a full fledged welter, and has been a pro boxer since 1960.

TERRY DANIELS AND HIS ● KO PUNCH STIR DALLAS ●

By Alan Eskew

Dallas, Tex.—The latest star-attraction in Dallas is Terry Daniels, a youthful white heavyweight with an impressive 26-1-1 record to start 1971. He recently landed two KO victories here.

Daniels scored a fifth-round knockout over formerly rated Amos Big Train Lincoln on one of Sue Moses' recent promotions. It was his first time up against a big name foe, and Daniels showed plenty of promise. He boxed beautifully, and landed the big punch.

On the same all-heavyweight card Sonny Moore, Dallas, KO'd Tiger Joe Harris, Cincinnati, in the fourth. It was Moore's second straight kayo win.

Al Banks, Dallas, KO'd Walt Dolder of Columbus, Ohio in the third. In a six-rounder, Kid Hercules, Fort Worth, decisioned Jimmy Boyde, Dallas.

On another card, Joe Burns, New Orleans, stopped the Sonny Moore winning streak by decisioning Moore in a 10-rounder. In another 10 Cassius Greene, Dallas, decisioned welter Jesse Chu-Chu Garcia, Mexico. The crowd went wild in this one, with a standing ovation, tossing money into the ring. It was the second meeting of the two, and Greene won both by close decisions.

The undercard was one of the best put together by Mrs. Moses. In a scheduled six-rounder Roy Barrientes, Fort Worth, and Johnny Copeland, Springfield, Mo., took turns rocking each other. Barrientes' body shots finally took their toll to post a fourth-round kayo. Richard Cole, Dallas, decisioned tough Jesse Alaniz, Houston, in a welter four. It was Cole's pro debut. Heavyweight Joe Ramey, Longview, TKOed Willie Taylor in the first.

► On a Fort Worth card promoted by Wayne Harrison and Jim Brown to open the new year, Roy Barrientes, appearing in his first main event, decisioned Ernest Cokes, Dallas, in a welter 10. Featured on the undercard was Richard Cole's decision over the more experienced Bird Lopez.

► Boxing recently returned to Longview with Cassius Greene knocking out Bill Spicer in the first round.

Ernest Porter decisioned Ernest Cokes in six rounds. Joe Ramey kayoed Louis Ellison in the final of a four-round brawl. Johnny Baker decisioned Sammy Lockey, both of Dallas, in a welter fight.

► On another Sue Moses promotion in Dallas, three 10 rounders topped the card with Curtis Cokes, on the road back as a middleweight, decisioning Harold Richardson, New York. The fight

Heavyweight Terry Daniels had it easy with a second round TKO over Terry Sorrel, Austin, a tough cookie before he met Daniels' fists.

Jesse Avalos, Dallas, won a close decision over welter Joe Louis Hargrove, Austin.

Jimmy Boyde, Dallas, decisioned Sonny Blue in four, and Ernest Cokes decisioned David Kuykendall, both locals, in a welter four.

► In between his Dallas fights, Daniels has been wanted elsewhere and journeyed to Cleveland for two scheduled 10-rounders. He made a hit, with two knockouts. First he stopped Paul Investment Nielsen of Canada and then he knocked out Joe Byrd in two rounds.

Byrd had gone the distance with Omaha sensation Ron Stander and had knocked out rated light heavyweight Billy Wagner.

► After Curtis Cokes had stopped Billy Braggs in Milwaukee, his middleweight comeback bid looked bright, but a car accident sidelined Cokes with a neck injury. He is out of the hospital, back training.

READ THE RING AND RING WRESTLING

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

Urtain Scores Doubtful KO Over Copeland, Who Swoons

By J. A. TREE

Everett Copeland falls to canvas as Jose Manuel Ibar Urtain watches in fourth round of their bout in Berlin. It appeared to many that the American fell without being hit. Copeland's KO was pronounced as "faking a KO."

BERLIN, Germany—Lucky for Jose Manuel Ibar Urtain, the Basque who lost the European heavyweight to Henry Cooper, and Everett Copeland, of the USA, that they met here and not in, let us say, Rome. Copeland would not have had the effrontery to swoon as he did here in the fourth round against Urtain, anywhere else.

Copeland's knockout was pronounced as "faking a KO." The Brooklyn heavyweight, who, fat and apparently feeble, has disappeared and would do well to stay out of this part of the world from now on.

In the first round Copeland, weighing 243¾ pounds, some 50 more than Urtain, almost looked like a fighter.

From then on he stunk out the house. With the fourth round only 27 seconds old, Everett fell into a faint. The referee counted ten. He could have counted 60. Copeland remained on the deck for a minute in a seemingly precarious position. He had not been hit hard enough, if at all.

At the end of the third round Gerhard Sweeland, of the National Boxing Federation, warned the American that if he did not do some fighting he would be disqualified and have his pay confiscated.

Less than half a minute later Copeland put on an act which was highly damaging to German boxing.

In fact, the entire show was a stinker. Of the 50 rounds scheduled, only 21 got into the book, and those 21 were shabby affairs.

Copeland was substituted for Bill Marsh, who is only a middleweight. The experts disqualified Bill as a fit opponent for the stone lifter. Copeland was substituted as a "more suitable opponent." He could not have beaten a retired Willie Pep.

Copeland was excused by a straight right which bypassed his ear. He may have been knocked out by the draft.

Al Hernandez, Ev's manager, announced that he had resigned his job, since he did not desire to be connected with Everett. It developed that Copeland faced Urtain fresh from an enthusiastic New Year's Eve celebration which left the Brooklynite *(Continued on page 65)*

EUROPEAN RATINGS

(AS OF FEBRUARY 20, 1971)

HEAVYWEIGHTS
*1. Henry Cooper (GB)
2. Jose Manuel Ibar Urtain (S)
3. Jürgen Blin (G)
4. Mario Baruzzi (I)
5. Peter Weiland (D)
6. Bepi Ros (I)
7. Dante Cane (I)
8. Horst Benedens (G)
9. Giorgi Bambini (I)
10. Armando Zannini (I)

LIGHT HEAVIES
*1. Conny Velensek (G)
2. Piero Del Papa (I)
3. Rudiger Schmidtke (G)
4. Domenico Adinolfi (I)
5. Yvan Prebeg (Yu)
6. Franco Macchia (I)
7. Alfred Vogrig (I)
8. Bas van Duivenbode (H)
9. Arno Prick (G)
10. Pierre Minier (F)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
*1. Carlos Duran (I)
2. Nino Benvenuti (I)
3. Tom Bogs (D)
4. Sandro Mazzinghi (I)
5. Jean Claude Bouttier (F)
6. Pascal di Benedetto (F)
7. Luciano Sarti (I)
8. Mario Lamaga (I)
9. Nicola Menchi (I)
10. Max Cohen (F)

JUNIOR MIDDLES
*1. Jose Hermandez (S)
2. Carmello Bossi (I)
3. Gerhard Piaskowy (G)
4. Domenico Tiberia (I)
5. Aldo Batistutta (I)
6. Remo Golfarini (I)
7. Jo Gonzalez (F)
8. Fabio Bettini (F)
9. Massimo Brushini (I)
10. Jean Rolland (F)

WELTERWEIGHTS
*1. Ralph Charles (GB)
2. Johann Orsolics (A)
3. Marcel Cerdan (F)
4. Roger Menetrey (F)
5. Silvano Bertini (I)
6. Jean Josselin (F)
7. Robert Gallois (F)
8. Antonio Torres (S)
9. Juan Duran (S)
10. Carlos San Jose (S)

JUNIOR WELTERS
*1. Rene Roque (F)
2. Bruno Arcari (I)
3. Roger Zami (F)
4. Sandro Lopopolo (I)
5. Ermanio Fasoli (I)
6. Cemal Kamaci (A)
7. Antonio Ortiz (S)
8. Barrera Corpas (S)
9. Roman Fanali (I)
10. Baldassare Picone (F)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
*1. Miguel Velasquez (S)
2. Pedro Carrasco (S)
3. Antonio Puddu (I)
4 Gilberto Biondi (I)
5. Italo Biscotti (I)
6. Carmelo Cosscia (I)
7. Leonard Tavares (F)
8. Dino Fontana (I)
9. Pierre La Jaouen (F)
10. Enrico Barlatti (I)

JR. LIGHTWEIGHTS
Title vacant
1. Lothar Abend (G)
2. Mario Redi (I)
3. Tommaso Galli (I)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
*1. Jose Legra (S)
2. Giovanni Girgenti (I)
3. Giovanni Chiloiro (I)
4. Manuel Calvo (S)
5. Daniel Vermandere (F)
6. August Civardi (I)
7. Nevio Carbi (I)
8. Luis Aisa (S)
9. Tommaso Galli (I)
10. Maurice Cordier (F)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
*1. Franco Zurlo (I)
2. Augustin Senin (S)
3. Antonio Sassarini (I)
4. Enzo Farinelli (I)
5. Claude Lapinte (I)
6. Marc van Domme (F)
7. Francisco Martinez(S)
8. Carmelo Massa (I)
9. Franco Innocenti (I)
10. Pierre Vetroff (F)

FLYWEIGHTS
*1. Fernando Atzori (I)
2. Franco Sperati (I)
3. Fritz Chervet (Sw)
4. Gerard Macrez (F)
5. Kid Romero (S)
6. Fabian Bellanco (S)
7. Michel Spina (I)
8. Ulf Danielson (D)
9. Kamara Diop (F)
10. Stephan Kolby (A)

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SUGAR RAMOS LOSES TO ● AMAYA IN MEXICAN RING ●

By Eduardo Amer G.

Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico: Antonio Amaya, 133, Panama, easily outpointed Ultiminio "Sugar" Ramos, 135, Cuba. Ramos looks like a finished fighter. The fight went 10 rounds.

Robert Duran, 127, Panama, technically kayoed Jose Angel Herrera, 127, in six rounds. Veteran Bernabe "Babe" Vazquez, who began fighting in 1947, obtained a clean-cut decision over Victor Rodrigo, 113, Costa Rica. Vazquez weighed 135 pounds.

Constancio "Rocky" Garcia, 115, TKOd Jorge "Pato" Madrigal, 115, Costa, Rica, in two. Tarcisio "Famosito" Gomez, 111, whipped Erasmo Flores, 111, in 10.

► **Mexico, D.F.:** Erubey "Chango" Carmona (Erubey Guillen Chapin), 133, destroyed Gerardo Ferrat, 132, in three and retained Mexican lightweight title. Jorge Mejia, 124, TKOd Alberto Perez, 124, in three. Octavio Camacho, 113, beat Raul Noria, 113, in 10. Adolfo Albarran, 124, outscored Benjamin Torres, 124, in six. Rene Navarrete, 116, outpointed Jesus Martinez, 118, in four.

► **Monterrey:** Clemente Sanchez, 125, and Love Allotey, 125, Ghana, drew in 10 dull rounds. Alberto "Costenito" Morales, 112, TKOd Carlos Urrunaga, 113, Panama, in eight. Gabriel "Halcon" Ruiz, 115, decisioned Saul Montana (Saul Muñoz Medina), 114, in 10. Jesus "Chuy" Rocha, 117, and Jorge Reyes, 116, drew in 10. Tony Velazquez, 124, won from Salvador Medina, 124, in eight.

► **San Luis Rio Colorado, Sonora:** Raul Soriano, 150, lost to Denny Moyer, 156, in 10. Manuel Fierro, 151, TKOd Maximino "Jesse' Armenta, 157, in two. Ignacio "Zurdo" Piña, 125, TKOd Delfino Camacho, 126, in six. Manuel Leal, 134, iced Rudy Parra, 134, in one. Filiberto Castro, 130, knocked out Jose Perez Cebreros, 130, in three.

► **Acapulco, Guerrero:** Raul Rodriguez, 146, nailed Ray Reyes, 146, in five. Lorenzo "Halimi" Gutierrez, 114, polished off Fernando "Chionoi" Contreras, 114, in two. Saul Quevado, 117, lost to Francisco "Sugar" Pino, 117, in eight. Carlos Zarate, 116, kayoed Alfredo Perez, 117, in two. Tomas Gonzalez, 139, embalmed Filia de los Santos, 140, in five.

► **Merida, Yucatan:** Vicente Pool (Lino Andres Pool), 113, clearly outpointed Tarcisio "Famosito" Gomez, 113, in 10. Faustino "Dinamita" Delgado, 136, won an unpopular decision over Andy Hernandez, 134, in 10. Leoncito Meza, 114, TKOd Mike Heman, 115, in five. Rufino Gallegos, 117, TKOd Tehuanito Martinez, 117, in eight.

► **Mexico, D.F.:** Fermin Soto, 132, demolished Aurelio Muñiz, 133, in the opening round. Jose Luis Hernandez, 134, iced Apolinar Lopez, 133, in one. Juan Ordoñez, 119, decisioned Jose Sanchez, 118, in eight. Salvador Torres, 124, TKOd Esteban Silva, 124, in three. Manuel Castañeda, 111, beat Isaac Cruz, 111, in four.

► **Apatzingan, Michoacan:** Ricardo Arredondo, 124, stopped David "Grillo" Duran, 124, in four.

► **Mexico, D.F.:** Lupe Mendez, 123, TKOd Lester Marquez, 123, in seven. Jose Palacios, 145, knocked out Carlos Moreno, 143, in four. Abundio Cortes, 112, put David Monroy, 112, to sleep in the first round. Alejandro Basilio, 11, outpointed Javier Martinez, 111, in four.

► **Cansahcab, Yucatan:** Joe Baquedano, 128, and Kid Tepakan, 127, drew in six. "Dinamita" Argaez, 115, KOd "Burra" Benitez, 115, in two.

► **Temax, D.F.:** Leoncio Ortiz, 134, decisioned Lalo Moreno, 134, in 10. Jose Luis "Frijol" Madrid, 124, knocked out Clemente Muciño, 126, in five. Baltazar Juarez, 118, whipped Victor Ramirez, 118, in eight. Guadalupe Hernandez, 111, defeated Jaime Moreno, 111, in six. Jose Carmen Luna, 133, TKOd Francisco Lima, 134, in three.

► **Oaxaca, Oaxaca:** Alejandro Garcia, 114, won by a disqualification from "Pinolillo" Hernandez, 114, in six. Mario Olmedo, 111, TKOd Angel Espinosa, 112 in four.

► **Temax, Yucatan:** Arsenio "Raton" Pacheco, 116, outscored Rayito de Izamal, 117, in 10. Hector Mendieta, 114, bested Francisco "Mugre" Montalvo, 116, in six. Chinito Wong, 111, halted Kid Raton, 110, in two.

► **Coatzacoalcos, Veracruz:** Salvador "Lobito" Lozano, 116, and Memo Rodriguez, 117, drew in 10.

► **Manzanillo, Colima:** "Cachorro" Medina, 134, kayoed Ramon Rodriguez, 134, in four.

► **La Paz, Baja California:** Crisanto Valenzuela, 134, stopped Leo Muñoz, 134, in three.

► **Gomez Palacio, Durango:** Roberto Alvarez, 113, stunned Julio Cesar Segura, 115, in one. Alberto "Raton" Palacios, 133, TKOd Ramon Rodriguez, 134, in three. Paco Pizaña, 113, TKOd Manuel Barajas, 114, in three.

► **Villahermosa, Tabasco:** Arturo Leon, 117, stopped Baby San Martin, 115, in five. Jose Luis "Chamaco" Cetina, 114, TKOd Fortino Mendez, 116, in five. Mike Albornoz, 115, nailed Tilo Rodriguez, 117, in six.

► **Merida:** Ranita Torres, 118, and Jose Medina, 116, drew in 10. Jose Camargo, 132, vs. Tony Torres, 132, "No Contest" in 10 rounds. Hector Mendieta, 116, TKOd Baby Gil, 112, in the seventh round. Miguel Camargo, 110, kid brother of Jose, lost to Kid Valente, 107, in six. Joe Baquedano, 129, won from Kid Tepakan, 128, in four.

McCLOUD SCORES DOUBLE ● VICTORY AT WINNIPEG ●

By Jim Johnston

Vancouver, B.C.—Doug McLeod, Grand Rapids light heavy, scored an upset at Winnipeg when he iced Rene Durelle in the first heat. McCleod scaled 162 to 174 for Durelle.

In the co-feature Lee Estes, Portland, Oregon won a split duke over T. J. Jones, Detroit, in a 10-round heavyweight bout.

In another heavyweight imbroglio Chuck Millar, Grand Rapids, spoiled the pro debut of Winnipeg's George Joyal with a split decision over six rounds.

Wallace Swoop, Chicago, stopped Hurricane Joe Zacceus, Jamaica, in the fourth heat. Zacceus developed a cut eye.

At Seattle on the Foreman-Turnbow card, Vancouver middleweight "Irish" Tony Dowling was stopped in the fourth round by Les Riggins, Seattle.

Eddie Ostapovich was stopped by Doug McCleod in the ninth round at Winnipeg.

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KOBAYASHI'S POINTS WIN OVER SAIJO THRILLER

By Joe Y. Koizumi

Tokyo, Japan—In a crowd-pleasing bout Hiroshi Kobayashi was a points winner over Shozo Saijo in a 10-rounder at Nihon University Auditorium. They traded punches toe-to-toe, with Hiroshi, world junior lightweight ruler, dominating more rounds than the lanky featherweight.

Their differences in power and physique accounted for Hiro's victory.

There were upsets here, of late, which stunned Japanese fight fans. Takeo Harada, a converted lefty now only 17-14-3, outpunched, outlegged and outscored Kuwashi Shimizu to seize the national junior featherweight laurels in 10 heats.

Dropped by his rival's roundhouse right in the opening canto, Cassius Naito, Japan's middleweight champ, was held to a disputed draw by unheralded Tetsuo Hoshino in 10.

Naito, still undefeated in 22 outings, appeared to be a clearcut loser on points, so half of the crowd gathered at the ring, jeering.

Susumu Hanagata utilized his speed, to retain his leading position in the 112 pound class by a hairline duke over Shigeru Tarumizu in 10.

Oriental bantamweight boss Takao Sakurai scored a shutout win in 10 rounds against Joe Malonzo of the P.I. to keep his title for the second time. The 12 rounder was far from spectacular.

Speedster Shigeyoshi Ohki counterpunched defending Japan champion Shintaro Uchiyama decisively in 10.

Japan's ring men now dominate seven classes in the ten, from flyweight to middleweight, of Oriental ratings. The titleholders are: Bantamweight, Takao Sakurai; featherweight, Nobuo Chiba; junior featherweight, Koichi Okada; lightweight, Ryu Sorimachi and junior middleweight Hideo Kanazawa.

► A deluxe card drew 12,000 spectators ot Nihon University Auditorium, resulting in favorite Kobayashi's split win. Although no knockdowns were registered during the 10 heats, the customers were satisfied with their performances.

Referee Nick Pope and judge Hiroyuki Tezaki tabbed the fight 48-46 and 49-46, respectively, in Kobayashi's favor. Judge Ken Morita saw it 49-48 for Saijo.

In the semi Yasuo Sakurai, a lefty, lost to Filipino newcomer Tony Jumao in a feather 10. Futoshi Nishine drew with Motoji Koki in six.

► KO artist Kuwashi Shimizu was unable to catch fast lefty Takeo Harada, absorbed plenty of punishment and lost a unanimous decision in 10 rounds at Ehime Prefectural Arena.

Takeo, scaling 122, and a quarter pound heavier than the defending champ, impressively counterpunched the puncher on all occasions. The new champion was in command in five rounds for Shimizu's three.

Supporting six rounders saw quick stoppages. Ex-local Shinjin-o Junji Itonaga halted Yasunobu Tsubota in the second round of their rematch. Bantam Shinjin-o of this year Hidenori Fukuchi was finished in just 3 minutes of the first canto by Kenji Nishihara.

► Korakuen Hall saw flyweights meet in 10 rounds. The result was more one-sided than expected. Hitherto unbeaten Issac I. Kimura kissed the canvas three times and was knocked out by Beever Kajimoto in the second round. Kajimoto weighed 112, a half pound lighter than the victim.

► Unbeaten left-hander Cassius Naito, 160, survived a knockdown for the mandatory eight in the opening session, and barely kept his national middle throne via a disputed draw with Tetsuo Hoshino, 158¾, in 10 monotonous rounds at Korakuen Hall.

Some 2,000 fans there showed dissatisfaction with the decision.

► The oldest active fighter in Japan, Yoshio Nakane, engaged in his last showing and finished Masayoshi Terajima, 119½, in the fifth session. Nakane displayed an impressive farewell to ring action, as he dropped his more powerful opponent with a wicked right for the count.

Nakane fought 74 bouts, won 48, lost 18 and drew 8 since the speedster made a debut in 1961. One of his biggest wins was not seen in Japan, for Nakane defeated Jesus Pimentel in San Antonio, in 1967.

► Susumu Hanagata, 112, Japan's flyweight leader, gained a hairline nod after he had outpunched Shigeru Tarumizu in 10 heats.

Lefty puncher Tarumizu beat the champ five years ago.

► After a layoff of six months Takao Sakurai, Orient bantam ruler, was still a crafty ringster, full of science but lack of power, and gave a sound lesson to Joe Malonzo, 117½, from the Philippines, in 12 rounds at Korakuen Hall. The inexperienced newcomer proved no match for Sakurai, who had little trouble taking all 10.

In the semi, a sixer, Kyoji Fujioka decisioned Katsumi Fujisawa.

► National champs of Japan and the Philippines met at Korakuen Hall. Masataka Takayama, using his left effectively to kill his rival's heavy attack, proved too ringwise and fast for Rudy Gonzales, in a shutout tenner. They scaled 137¾ each.

Yukio Fujiko decisioned Kazuyuki Iwakiri. Joichi Hirakawa KO'd Toru Matsukasaki in three rounds.

► Ex-Orient champ Chun-kyo Shin, whose campaign here resulted in one win against six defeats, stopped his losing run, when he counter-punched Sumio Nobata to score a majority nod in 10 dull rounds at Korakuen Hall. Shin, an elusive Korean at 135 to the loser's 132½, often found the left-hander's face with long rights.

Norito Fukumoto, was a KO victor over Tomio Isono in one. The loser lasted only 43 seconds. Takeshi Adachi polished off Kimio Yamazaki in three rounds.

► Finals of Shinjin-o tournament, held annually, took place before 2,000 customers at Osaka Prefectural Gymnasium. The winners were: 112 pounds, Chuman Miyagawa; 118, Yoshihiro Okumura; 122, Kazuo Torisaka; 126, Yoshio Aratake; 130, Hideji Tsuji; 135, Eiichi Nishimada; 140, Nobuhide Kuroda; 147, Tsutomu Hagusa and 160, Naoki Konishi.

► In an upset see-saw tenner Shigeyoshi Ohki became the national titlist in the 118-pounds division, as he outmanuevered Shintaro Uchiyama, threw well-timed shots to his victim's face and earned a hairline split at Korakuen Hall.

Ohki, who has shown rapid progress since his return from the U.S. used brilliant footwork, so that Uchiyama's short range rallies were missing. The defending champ, weighing 118, a half pound heavier than his opponent, was a target for Ohki's smashing one-two. But in later rounds the tiny lefty came back to offset his deficit on points. Ref Yoshida and judge Tezaki took Shige for a winner, 48-47 and 49-48. Judge Ugo tabbed it a draw, 48-48.

Haruo Ishiwatarido, long time an active referee, announced a good-bye to the ring. He refereed the 15 round Yoshio Shirai-Pascual Perez fight in 1955. Shirai, the first to capture the world crown, failed to regain it because of a 5th round stoppage by the Argentinian.

ARREDONDO AND BRISCOE SCORE IN PHILLY FEATURES

By Archie Pirolli

Philadelphia, Pa.—Ricardo Arredondo, Mexican junior lightweight, made his second successful visit to Philadelphia by scoring a 10th round knockout over local featherweight Augie Pantellas, 129, at the Spectrum. It was one of the most spectacular fights seen here in years.

Surviving a knockdown in the ninth round the import caught Pantellas with a hard right in the 10th. The punch staggered Pantellas and then the contender hit Augie with lefts, rights and uppercuts to the head until referee Pete Tomasco intervened.

From the first round, it was a brutal fight. The crowd of 4865, which paid $30,525, cheered wildly from the opening bell as Pantellas, the underdog, fought savagely with the more experienced Mexican, who had stopped Sammy Goss in the fifth round after Goss had beaten Pantellas.

The official scoring had Pantellas ahead going into the 10th round.

Arredondo's biggest rounds were the fifth and the eighth. He boxed beautifully. Pantellas was battered brutally in the eighth and the ninth, but he survived the bombing and nailed the Mexican with a left hook that sent him to the canvas for a count of nine.

Pantellas' big rounds were the first and the sixth.

In the semi-final, Willie Monroe,160, won a 10-round decision over Alvin Phillips, 160, New Orleans.

► Bennie Briscoe, ranking junior middleweight proved his punching ability when he knocked out Ned Edwards, 167-pound Long Islander, in the second round at the Blue Horizon.

Bennie, who had floored Edwards earlier in the round, got the job done with a short right to the jaw. Some of the fans booed. Some started to feel sorry for Edwards in the first round when he took a couple of left hooks in the body that could be felt in the gallery. It was no competition for Briscoe.

Rickie Kates, Millville, N.J. undefeated, scored a second round TKO over another Long Islander, Melvin Ward, who was down three times before the bout was stopped. It was Kates' ninth straight victory.

George Ange, 148, TKOd Al Thomas, 150, in the first; Alfonso Hayman, 150, outpointed Roy Ingra, 155, in four, and Luis Lopez, 123, drew with Elind Garces, 118, in a six-rounder.

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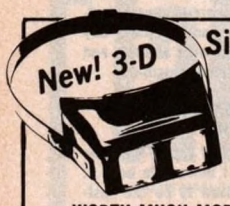

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PATTERSON PUTS QUIETUS ● ON FORTE IN TWO HEATS ●

By Hank Kaplan

Miami Beach, Fla.—On the way to his meeting with Oscar Bonavena in New York, the hermitic Floyd Patterson stopped here for a cameo appearance for Chris Dundee at the Auditorium.

Patterson was invited to knock out Levi Forte, and he obliged in precisely 5 min. 20 sec.

Near the end of the second round, Patterson decked Levi for the third time in that session, so that referee Cy Gottfried called him out under the mandatory rule covering such doleful experiences.

That Patterson would stop Forte was a foregone conclusion. That Floyd would end it inside four rounds was similarly probable. That Patterson still has a hold on the fight public was demonstrated by the presence of 4,000 paying guests who contributed $20,000.

Patterson said that he had done a better job than he had achieved in his 10-round KO of Charlie Green in New York.

The session with Forte, who makes his living as a bellhop in the Fontainebleau Hotel, was Patterson's 56th showing, with 48 victories, 7 defeats and one draw.

It was Levi's 41st appearance, with his percentage still under .500. He has won 19, lost 21 and drawn one.

► The year 1970 terminated in the Miami Beach Auditorium with the successful return of Florentino Fernandez, once a major magnet at the gate, and, as he demonstrated against Jimmy Williams, still a drawing threat. Florentino entered the ring witt a 5-0-1 record gained with comeback sweat and tears at the Dinner Key Auditorium in Coconut Grove on the other side of Biscayne Bay.

In an all-out punching party presented by promoter Chris Dundee, winding up his 20th year as the most successful promoter in Miami's history, Fernandez, 167, kayoed Williams, 161, Jacksonville, in the seventh round.

Williams, who laid claim to the Florida title at 160, boxed the left-hooking Cuban carefully in the early rounds and produced some tormenting moments for his aggressor. Florentino started his damaging attack in the sixth when he delivered Jimmy to the canvas for an eight count but was forced to go to the seventh round for the finish.

In a supporting 10-rounder, Eddie Talhami, 181, Montreal, a notable right-hand puncher, fell short of his usual performance as he outpointed "Baby Bo" Rolle, 181½, Nassau, claimant to the Bahamas title in the light heavyweight division.

In a six-rounder, Buddy Taylor, 152½, showing marked improvement, threw enough hooks to outpunch Johnny Totuska, 152, New Jersey, for the decision. Johnny's excellent jab was not enough to offset his more aggressive opponent.

In another six-rounder, Gene Wells, 162½, Louisville, stopped Keith Laufenberg, 165, Washington, D.C., in round four.

A third six-rounder saw Dennis Riggs, 156, Jacksonville, returning after a lengthy absence, drop a decision to Alfred Cook, 156, Miami. In an earnest try, Dennis showed his absence had produced rust.

In an amateur three-rounder, Roy Ruster, 165, Miami, outpointed John Brown, 165, Miami.

► In an earnest attempt to prove his Top Ten ranking in the junior lightweight division to be valid, Frankie Otero, 128¾, Hialeah, almost shut out the toughest local opponent Chris could find for him. Little Joe Cartwright, West Palm Beach, forced to sweat down to contract weight, came in at 128½.

Though Cartwright pressed the fight most of the way he was unable to land forcefully upon the ever-improving Otero, who is developing into the number one young hero of the local Cuban colony. Otero dropped Cartwright in round five but Joe made a game stand for the balance, though losing by unanimous decision.

In the semi-final ten-rounder, Jimmy Williams, 162½, Jacksonville, with some recognition as the Florida middleweight champion, captured the unanimous duke over Doug Rogers, 163½, Miami.

Jimmy was surprised by a sneak right hand midway in the fight and took the mandatory eight count. Rogers tried hard to land a finisher but Jimmy snapped out of it and was out of trouble by the end of the round. Williams finished strong to take the decision.

In a scheduled six-rounder, Bob Ellis, 217½, Gainsville, scored a TKO over Eddie Peeples, 194, Miami, in the last round.

Four amateur bouts spiced the undercard. All contests were three-rounders.

Ralph Coley, 125, Hollywood, Florida, boxed a most entertaining draw against Jose Indio Orraco, 130, Hialeah.

Peter Balcunas, 196, Miami, edged Henry Brown, 195, Miami.

John Brown, 165, Miami, outscored Lee Royster, 175, Miami.

Percy Sams, 162, Miami, and Johnny Volkland, 161, Miami, battled to a draw.

► South Florida is being treated by a visit from a star of the past, once lightweight great Sid Terris. As a speed demon and a gate attraction he was superb. Whatever it was he lacked to become a world champion was hair-splitting. His misfortune was to become assimilated among the super-talented lightweights of the 1920s.

Whoever emerged with a crown during that period well deserved it. Apparently Terris who fought six world champions a 200-bout career, was not destined for titledom but his career outshone some of the royalty.

Other visitors are Roxie Forgione, brother of Vince Forgione and member of well-known boxing family out of Philadelphia. Also Patsy Haley, the old-time New York light heavyweight, and Young Glowery, New York battler who started as a pro in 1906 and spent his retirement years working on Wall Street.

Frankie Conifrey, the Fighting Fireman, who boxed Benny Leonard twice, is back for the Winter season, and Teddy Leonard, the Philadelphia flyweight-bantam, now a manager of boxers, is escaping the Philly snow flurries.

► In a 12-round heavyweight championship bout covering the Commonwealth of the Bahamas, Bert Perry combined a left hook to the body with a short right to the head and put Boston Blackie away for the full count, recapturing the title. Boston Blackie put up a great stand until referee Rod Simms counted him out at the Highbury Park Auditorium in Nassau.

In the main supporting bout, lightweight champion Gypsy Mike Whyms was awarded a third-round technical knockout over Freddie Major.

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By Jack Levinson

Richmond, Va.—It doesn't always pay to use your head. This was apparent to Terrance Ryan, after his disqualification at the Arena. Ryan was battling Ray Beuneuvo when referee Billy Sahnow warned him for butting. After a second warning Ryan turned on the referee, who gave him the heave-ho.

In the 10-round feature, Claude Wade, Washington, D.C., outpointed Jerry Wells, Miami.

Teddy Cooper, Piney Point, Md., defeated Sugar Wyatt, Richmond, in the eight-round semi-windup.

Ollie Harris, Petersburg, won a split decision over Johnny Watson, Richmond, in six rounds.

Amateur Tom Robinson, Richmond, won by TKO in the second over Petersburg's Al Newman.

Virginia's Executive Secretary of the Boxing Commission, Don (Bill) Brennan was elected WBA President for 1971. Bill was a professional boxer, trainer, promoter, referee, and judge.

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

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Stanley down three times.

This was the first effort in four years for the local boxer and his reflexes were away off. Stanley offered little opposition. For Robinson, who weighed 146½, this was his fourth straight at the Valley.

Tony Jamao-as, 126, Manila, P.I., and Chamaco Perez, 125½, Mexico City, boxed a technical draw in a scheduled ten. Jamao-as suffered a cut from an accidental butt in the seventh, resulting in the even Stephen verdict.

Enrique Flores, 121, Juarez, and Francisco Granados, 122, Los Angeles, drew (4).

► **Woodland Hills**—Making his second stateside start, Jamao-as battered Jerry Williams, 129, Anaheim, into defeat in the seventh of their 10-rounder.

On advice of club physician Jack Useem, referee Dick Young stepped in and raised Jamao-as' hand midway in the seventh with Williams cut over both eyes, plus on the receiving end of right hand wallops.

Richie Alvarado, 127, San Jose, decisioned Mike Mayan, 127, San Diego, (6); Cesar Sinda, 137½, Congo, dec. Agapito Villegas, 140, Sonora, Mex. (6); Myron Robinson, 135, Los Angeles decisioned Carlos Gonzales, 134½, Los Angeles, (5).

► **Los Angeles**—Former Los Angeles policeman Al Stankie, 159, survived rough first and second rounds to finish ahead of Victor Basilio, 160, Brawley, in the 10 round main event at Olympic.

Stankie, originally from Erie, Pa., recently resigned from the force to concentrate on his boxing career.

The rangy balding 29-year-old piled up points in the stretch run, using fast left jabs and hooks to keep Basilio at bay.

Nick Aghai, 133½, Iran, outpointed. Ron Ceniceros, 134½, Los Angeles, (6); Rudby Robles, 158, Los Angeles, decisioned Tommy Kearse, 163, Los Angeles, (6); Jesus Marquez, 121, East Los Angeles, decisioned Gabe Gutierrez, 122½, Mexico, (4).

► **San Diego**—Local favorite "Schoolboy" Eddie Mazon, 144, took a well deserved 10-rounder from veteran Benito Juarez, 145, Las Vegas, at the Coliseum.

Carlos Barragon, 126, Tijuana, decisioned Esteban Olivera, 125½, San Diego; Angel Mayoral, 135, San Diego, nodded Carlos Salas, 137, Los Angeles, (10).

► **Woodland Hills**—Joe (Shotgun) Shelton, 195½, Cleveland, stepped in as a late replacement for the ailing Ray White, and proceeded to flatten Aaron Eastling, 199, St. Paul, in the seventh round of a scheduled ten.

Shelton, who had been idle for more than a year, took five rounds to warm up, then used lefts and rights to fell Eastling for the full count midway in the seventh.

Memo Guerrero, 130, Tijuana, and Albert Perez, 129, Mexico City, drew (6); Bobby Carrillo, 138, Lancaster, decisioned Tony Sanchez, 136, Colton, (6); Agapito Villegas, 141, San Pedro, outpointed Jose Zatarian, 140, Los Angeles, (5).

► **Los Angeles**—The year started off well for Armando Muniz at Olympic. The former GI from nearby Pico Rivera overpowered Jim Caffey, 174, Cleveland, winning by knockout in the seventh round.

The 26-year-old, who was a member of the 1968 US Olympic team, had his rough moments with Caffey, but he proved too rugged.

Muniz took Caffey's best punches and roared back to floor Caffey twice in the seventh, before referee Larry Rozadilla stopped it.

Going into the seventh, Muniz was ahead on all three cards. This was his 10th straight win, No. 9 by knockout. He is a student at Los Angeles State College. He weighed 148.

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Gil Gallardo, 132, San Diego, stopped Manuel Villa, 130, Los Angeles, (3); Enrique Flores, 124, Los Angeles, decisioned Jose Orantes, 121½, East Los Angeles, (4).

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By Paulie Cook

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132: Allan Webb, Oregon City, dec. over James Bible, Monroe.

139: Ray Seales, Tacoma, TKO2 over Buck Anderson, Vancouver.

147: Mike Fisher, Oregon City, dec. over Jerry Bennett, Tacoma.

156: Mitchell Mayes, Tacoma, dec. over Chester Douglas, Chilliwack.

165: Joseph Blakley, Oregon City, beat Pete Salgot, Seattle.

178: Bob Jarvis stopped Thomas Vaughn, Fort Lewis, in the second.

Heavyweight: Jim Waltenburg decisioned Weaver Abner.

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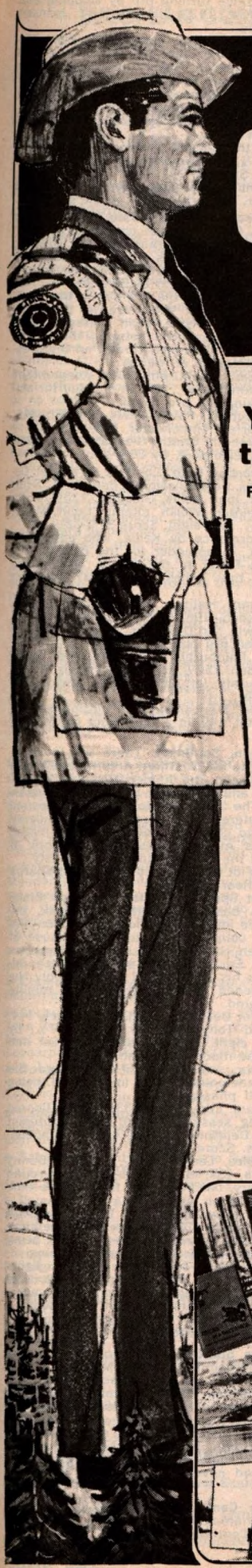

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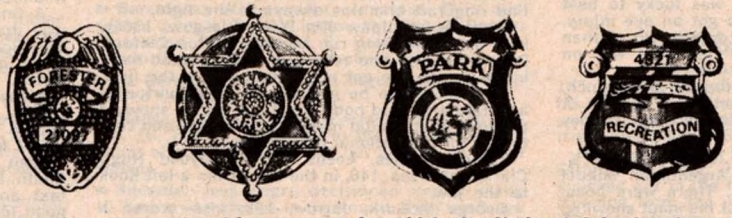

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THE BRITISH ISLES

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referee Mickey Fox. It was announced from the ring that Mickey was now retiring after 45 years in the fight game.

► **Premier Ring Sporting Club, London:** Carl Gizzi, Rhyl, 203½, had it easy in outpointing Charlie White, Jamaica, 203, over eight. Margin 40-39¼, which means White didn't win a round.

White's best punches were short rights to the head, but generally he was on the end of Gizzi's accurate jabs, and later Carl was banging in body punches to good effect.

Mickey Van Day, Brighton, stopped substitute Bernard Nicholls, Manchester, 126, in the sixth and final session when the latter was cut by the left eye.

Brian Hall, Bexleyheath, 189, boxed a draw with Bob Johnston, Belfast, 189, over six.

► **North Staffs Sporting Club, Stoke:** Scottish brothers Don and Angus McMillan both won on points to chalk up a family double.

Don, 154, outpointed Maurice Thomas, Antigua, 159, over eight by 39½-39¼. McMillan revealed a tight defense, and Thomas found it difficult to get through, but he kept on trying right to the last second, and it looked like a close thing.

Angus, 142, had it all his own way in outscoring Spaniard Jose Cascales, Newport Pagnell, 138, over six, by 30-28¾.

In a battle of debutants, Barry Clough, Stoke, 196, outpointed Jamie Clay, Sierra Leone, by 29½-29¼ over six. Clay started promisingly, but Clough stayed with him and proved the stronger.

Pat Marshall, Bristol, 144, was lucky to beat Mick Hinton, Penge, 145, who got an eye injury. The bout was stopped in the fourth. Up to then the hitherto unbeaten Hinton had been well on top.

Dave Tuohey, Leeds, 118, stopped Mick Lynch, Lougphborough, in the sixth and final session. A cut by the left eye brought the closure. Tuohey always looked in command.

► **Royal Albert Hall, London:** Joe Bugner, 214¾, gained an easy victory over Argentinian Miguel Paez, 196½, in three rounds. There were boos, presumably directed at Paez for his inept showing. Certainly he did not provide the kind of performance that his reputation or his record indicated.

Paez seemed more intent on self-preservation than anything else. Apart from one right to the jaw all he did was cover up. In the third Bugner turned on the heat, ripping in punches from all angles, cutting his opponent's nose, nearly putting him through the ropes. Then referee Harry Gibbs intervened.

► **Derbyshire Sporting Club:** Pat Vernie, St. Lucia, 161¾, narrowly outpointed Fred Powney, Doncaster, 160¾, over eight by 39¾-39½.

Both boxers suffered facial injuries. Vernie had his right eye closed for much of the fight. Powney was cut by both eyes. A hard bout, with Vernie forging ahead up to the half way stage, then Powney staying with him and punching it out.

Vernie came back again in the seventh, and the final session was toe-to-toe stuff, with Powney showing that he was far from beaten. The verdict? Just about right.

Mick Brown, Nottingham, 172¼, beat Ade Ajasco, Nigeria, 168¾, who was disqualified for a low blow in the fifth after Brown had been counted out.

Paul Cassidy, a southpaw from Bournemouth, 179½, boxed a draw with Jack Cotes, Kirkby, 189, over six.

Over the same distance Dave Parris, Tottenham, 175½, outpointed Sid Falconer, Bournemoth, 179.

► **Grafton Rooms, Liverpool:** Tommy Glencross, Glasgow, 125, proved superior to Central Area featherweight champion, Billy Hardacre, Liverpool, 125, for the third time. On each occasion the score has been close, and this time the margin was 39½-39¼, over eight.

Glencross is a good boxer who realizes that defense is sometimes as important as attack, and he foiled all Hardacre's efforts to pin him down. Tommy built up a good lead, then Billy attacked hard in the last couple of rounds with some success. But by then it was too late.

Johnny Shields, Liverpool, 156, outpointed Gerald Gooding, Barbados, 161, over six by 29¾-29¼.

Robin Polak, Nottingham, 148, outpointed Alan Reid, Glasgow, 29¾-28½, over six.

► **Civic Hall, Wolverhampton:** Danny McAlinden, Coventry, 195½, seemed lucky to get a draw against Ray (brother of Floyd) Patterson, U.S.A., now a Swedish citizen, after 10 rounds. There was quite a demonstration when the result was announced, and it was Patterson who got the cheers.

The new blue canvas, brought in for TV purposes, proved slipper. McAlinden was troubled the more. After the third he took off his shoes and socks and boxed in his bare feet, as did several other boxers.

Patterson's best asset was his close-quarter work, and McAlinden unwisely joined issue at times, looking more effective when he kept it at long range.

The accurate hooking of Patterson appeared to put him in front, but to his credit McAlinden was always going forward, trying to probe his way through Patterson's guard.

Mac's nose bled, and Ray's left eye was swollen as they struggled for supremacy in the closing stages, but the latter looked to have done enough to win.

Brian Jewett, Newcastle southpaw, 184½, outpointed Don Halden, Rugeley, 198, over eight, by 39½-39. Jewett made light of a stone handicap in weight, and jabbed his way to a convincing victory.

Jackie Turpin, Leamington, 143, nephew of the late Randolph Turpin, won his second comeback fight by stopping Dave Moore, Grimsby, 147, in the first round. Moore went down from a left uppercut, got up too soon, and was floored again.

Joey Wright, Nuneaton, 120, announced his retirement from the ring after being stopped in four by Paddy Graham, Belfast, 119.

Two draws—Alan Bodell, Swadlincote, 151, with Fritz Francis, Wolverhampton, 148½, and Billy Belnavis, Wolverhampton, 134, with Bill Kotey, Ghana, 132. Both over six.

► **Leeds:** After an even contest it was inevitable that there should be boos when substitute Ricky Porter, Swindon, 146¾, was awarded a 39¼-39 points verdict over Central Area welterweight champion Les Pearson, Pontefract, 148, over eight rounds, at the Town Hall.

Porter bled from the nose in the sixth, but shook his man with stiff left jabs in the seventh and kept up the pressure in the final hectic session, where defenses were scorned.

Another Central Area champion, Young Silky, Leeds, 133, the lightweight titleholder, was outscored by Paul Bromley, Wolverhampton, 135½, by 39½-39, also over eight.

Bromley punched the harder, but Silky showed fine ringcraft and was always in the fight.

Scottish southpaw Jim Watt, Glasgow, 136¾, kept up his winning run by beating Ron Clifford, Pudsey, 137¾, who retired with an injured hand in the fourth. He got a cut right eye in the first.

Watt looked to be getting on top by virtue of accurate and hard body-punching, and is showing the form that should make him a recognized contender for the national title this year.

Tommy Sobles, Leeds, 137¾, kayoed Hugh Clark, Battersea, 140, in the third from a left hook to the jaw.

George McGurk, Jarrow, 123, also scored a kayo, opponent Al Hutcheon, Glasgow, 124½, taking the full count in the second round after being floored for nine.

► **Anglo-American Sporting Club, Manchester:** Gerry McBride, Manchester, 127, substituted for injured Glyn Davies at seven hours' notice and won a disputed decision over Karim Young, Nigeria, 125, by 39½-39 after eight close rounds.

Young opened up well and gained an early lead, but as soon as McBride had got into his stride he concentrated on the body, and the Nigerian was forced to give ground.

In the process McBride bled from the nose and got a cut left eye, but kept at his task, although the margin seemed closer.

Dave Grantley, Hull, 127¾, showed good form in outpointing Laurie Redfern, Liverpool, by 29½-29¼ over six. Grantley was in command throughout the fight.

► **Anglo-American Soprting Club, London:** Pat McCormack, Irish-born, but living in London, stopped American Teddy Cooper, 143, in five. Cooper was floored in the second.

McCormack, 140, is a natural junior welterweight, but this division was abolished in Britain, so he has to rely largely on overseas opposition.

Recovering from a cold, McCormack insisted on boxing, and although a shade slower than usual, was still much too good for Cooper. Mac also was handicapped by a cut under the left eye in the fourth, but was well on top when the referee intervened.

The British Boxing Board of Control is backing McCormack's claims to a fight for the European junior welterweight title.

Keith Drewitt, Battersea, 175½, stopped former Southern Area cruiser champion Phil Watford, Forest Gate, 176¼, in five. It was Drewitt's first win in three pro bouts. Watford was down twice in the fifth, and was facially marked when his corner retired him at the end of the round.

Jose Cascales, 136, born in Spain and living in Newport Pagnell, floored Pat Pain, Barking, 134¼, four times before the bout was stopped in the first round.

Bob Tuckett, Leeds, 168½, outscored Johnny Newman, Leicester, 180, by 29½-29¼, over six.

► **York Hall, Bethnal Green, London:** Former amateur star "Gypsy" Johnny Frankham lost his unbeaten record in unlucky manner against Jeff Shaw, Manchester, 175, the bout being stopped half-way through the eighth and final round when Frankham was cut near the left eye.

Frankham, Reading, 175¾, is quite a character. He imitates Cassius Clay by dangling his hands by his sides and inviting his opponent to attack. He's a good boxer, but inclined to exaggerate the clowning, yet fascinating to watch.

In this bout Frankham won the early rounds comfortably, allowed Shaw to take the initiative briefly later on, but was still in front when the unfortunate end came.

Alan Burton, Battersea, 196½, made it four straight wins since turning pro by stopping Bob Johnston, Belfast, 192¾, in the third. Johnson was down twice.

Mick O'Neill, Colliers Wood, 162, from the Terry Downes stable, kept his unbeaten record by halting Ray Hassan, Nigeria, also in three, but full marks to Hassan for refusing to go down.

Howard Hayes, Doncaster, 127, managed by former middleweight champion Johnny Pritchett, won his second pro bout by stopping Billy Belnevis, again in three.

Floored in the second round, Harry Adams, Walworth, 139¾, came back to get a draw against Des Morrison, St. Ives, 141, over six.

Cruiserweight George Gray, Wallasey, kayoed Mansey Turner, Wolverhampton, in the second.

► **Anglo-American Sporting Club, Manchester:** Johnny Cooke, former British and Empire welter champion, still knows too much for the younger generation, and at 36 years of age was still able to put in a strong finish to outpoint Alan Tottoh, Middleton, 148½, over eight by 39½-39.

Cooke was cut above the left eye in the third, and Tottoh bled from the nose in the fifth. Johnny was better inside, Alan better at long range, and there was little between them until the former British champion turned on the pressure in the last couple of rounds.

Herbie McLean, Edinburgh, 136½, stopped Cliff Bebbington, Manchester, 136, in the fourth. McLean was making his pro debut.

Another debutant, Pat Thomas, Cardiff, 146, kayoed Ray Farrell, Manchester, 145, in two.

Over eight Johnny Smith, Glasgow, outpointed Johnny Shiels, Liverpool, by 29¾-29.

► **National Sporting Club, London:** In a bout between two Area bantamweight champions, Scottish titleholder John Kellie, Glasgow, 120½, comfortably outpointed Welsh champ Colin Miles, Rhondda, 119½, over eight. Score 39¾-38¼.

A fine performance by Kellie, who edged his way up to No. 3 contender for the British title. The Scot was faster to the punch, and moved more quickly than Miles, who never gave up trying.

Richard Dunn, Halifax, 203, kayoed Dennis Forbes, Harlesden, 196, in 55 seconds of round one. A good win for Dunn, as Forbes had won six of his seven pro bouts.

Alan Reid, Edinburgh, 150, outscored Dusty Smith, Harlesden, 152½, by 30-29 over six. Reid's fast and accurate left-jabbing was always too good for Smith.

Rod Griffiths, Harlesden, 150, outpointed Pat Marshall, Bristol, 149, in a lively bout by 29¾-29, again over six.

► **Cliffs Pavilion, Southend:** There was a spectacular ending to the Southern Area middleweight title fight between the holder Howard Sharpe, Jamaica, 159, and challenger Eric Blake, Leatherhead, 154¾. The fight was stopped in the second round when referee Harry Humphreys considered Sharpe unfit to continue, but this didn't please Sharpe or his manager Les Roberts, both of whom thought the official had been too hasty.

There was a lot of booing. It is true that Sharpe had not been floored.

After a fast opening session in which Blake took Sharpe's best shots and came back, the former took the initiative in the next session and Sharpe got a couple of censures for misuse of the head. Then Howard took a hefty clump on the jaw from Eric's right. A similar punch followed, and as his legs looked a bit wobbly the referee intervened. There was under a minute left in the round.

No trouble for Derek Simpson, Kilmarnock, 144, who outscored Tony Bagshaw, Hull, 147¼, by 40-38¾, over eight. Superior speed of foot and punch were too much for Bagshaw.

Mick Quigley, Islington, 174½, stopped Sid Falconer, Bournemouth, 178½, in the third, being superior in all phases.

Dennis Flynn, Edmonton, 133½, was floored in the opening session but got up to outpoint Alan Salter, Deptford, 131½, over six action-packed rounds. Score 29½-29¼.

Tommy Sobles, Leeds, 137½, stopped Danny Turpin, Nigeria, 137, in the sixth and final round on an eye injury, but he was in front at the time on his aggression.

Mickey Van Day, Brighton, 127, drew with Dave Grantley, Hull, 128, over six. An interesting contest, with the former's forcing tactics being offset by the latter's clean, accurate punching.

During the Sobles-Turpin contest the lights went out because of the electricians' "work to rule" policy in their campaign for higher wages. However, the promoters' foresight of having a generator installed that very morning caused a delay of only five seconds.

► **Bedfordshire Sporting Club:** Noel McIvor, Luton, 134¾, outpointed George McGurk, 132¼, over six, by 29¾-29. An action-packed bout, with McIvor jabbing his way to victory in spite of wearing borrowed basketball boots from his manager Johnny Barclay.

Ade Ajasco, Nigeria, 170, a southpaw, outscored Dave Parris, Tottenham, 173, over six, by 29¾-29. Parris could not fathom his opponent's stance. He had never in fact met a southpaw before.

► **Bloomsbury Center Hotel, London:** Southern Area welter champion Bernie Terrell, Edmonton,

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EUROPEAN GOSSIP

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with a cold.

The custimers hollered "Swindle, swindle." They appeared eager to drag Copeland out of the ring by his ears.

Yankee boxing suffered along with German boxing, and Urtain's record acquired another "victory."

A meeting at the Sportpalast here resulted in officials threatening to resign.

Should the (BDB) boxing board close its doors professional boxing in Germany could come to an end. Current president, Willi Klein, will be the fourth to leave this hot seat in as many years should he hand in his portfolio at the next general meeting.

Hein ten Hoff, former European heavyweight champion, tried to hold a tight reign over those in the sport but failed. Louis Goldschmitt died. Dr. Hoffmann took over but found he had little or no control.

Now Klein's efforts have failed to make those in the business toe the line. The Sportpalast program overshadows anything fistic that has happened for the worse in Germany for years.

In another heavyweight bout on the Urtain card Charley Graf was disqualified against Macan Kieta for not leaving his corner for round five. Graf's handlers insisted it was only a four-rounder while promoter Joachim Göttert said contracts were signed for six.

A European title fight in France saw junior welterweight champion, Rene Roque, France, decision Italian Roman Fanali over 15 rounds. This brought the total of European title bouts for 1970 to 28.

The new junior lightweight division in Europe is beginning to take shape. The European title is still vacant, but in Italy, Mario Redi is champion and in Germany, Lothar Abend rules. Ratings for this division in this issue are only provisional until a champion develops.

The Italian boxing Federation has suspended Giulio Rinaldi for one year. Rinaldi lost his national light heavyweight crown to Domenico Adinolfi and doping was suspected.

ITALY

► **Sesto Giovanni:** Featherweight. Bruno Pieracci decisioned Carmelo Massa, 8.

► **Naples:** Bantamweight. Michele D'Amato outscored Sergio Mencarelli, 10.

► **Latina:** Welterweight. Tommaso Morocco beat Andy Bassey, TKO2. Featherweight. Domenico Prezioso outpointed Giorgio Merlin, 8.

► **Rome:** Welterweight. Jorge Hansen beat Aldo Mondora, TKO6. Nelson Gomes vs. Juan Arandora resulted in No Contest in seven. Middleweight. Elio Calcabrini decisioned Guildo Praloran, 8. Lightweight. Enoz Petriglia beat Enrico Barlatti, TKO7.

► **Aosta:** Light heavyweight. Luigi Patruno outpointed Raffaele Majo, 8.

► **Cremona:** Heavyweight. Benito Penna stopped Manfred Ackers, KO1.

► **Ancona:** Rene Roque drew in a 10-rounder with Joao Dos Santos. Heavyweight. Vasco Fautsinho beat Luciano Ghiotti, KO1. Junior welterweight. Leonardo Dessi beat Nicola D'Orazio, TKO8.

► **Novara:** Mario Redi won the vacant junior lightweight crown of Italy beating Oronzo Pesare, KO5. First bout in this class.

► **Cantu:** Champion Eramno Fasoli held on to his national junior welterweight crown with a decision over Bruno Melissano, 12.

► **Sabaudia:** Lightweight. Mario Sanna outscored Nata Caredda, 10. Welterweight. Tommaso Morocco outpointed Kid Rainbow, 8.

► **Rome:** Bruno Arcari, Italy, decisioned Joao Dos Santos, 10. The Italian appeared to be worried about his eyebrows that cut easily. Heavyweight. Mario Baruzzi, beat Al Jones, TKO8. Ex-European champion Silvano Bertini, outscored John White, 8. Lightweight. Domenico Adinolfi, decisioned Silvio Baroni, 8.

► **Bologna:** Welterweight. Nelson Gomez outscored Piero Ceru, 8.

► **Chiavara:** Light heavyweight. Silvio Baroni decisioned Ilvano, 8.

► **Rieti:** Featherweight. Elio Cotenza beat Vittorio Ferri, TKO10.

► **Rome:** Light heavyweight. Domenico Adinolfi beat Serge Cauver, TKO4.

► **Milan:** Featherweight. Bruno Pieracci beat Giuseppe Fascella, TKO7.

► **Thiene:** Middleweight. Luciano Sarti decisioned Dante Lazzari, 8.

► **Arezzo:** Welterweight. Marco Scano beat Vasco Armstrong, TKO4.

► **Naples:** Middleweight. Mario Lamagna stopped Willie Poltrimol, TKO7.

► **Piacenza:** Featherweight. Augusto Civardi drew in an 8-rounder with Kid Rainbow.

► **Cremona:** Heavyweight. Benito Penna beat Ferencz Kristofaczak, TKO2.

► **Treviso:** Heavyweight. Bepi Ros beat Ireno Werlemann, KO1.

► **Bologna:** Featherweight. Enzo Farinelli decisioned Domenico Chiloiro, 10. Middleweight. Nicola Menchi outscored Dramane Ouedrago, 8.

► **Reggio Emilia:** Featherweight. Ugo Poli beat Paul Ikumapagi who was disqualified in round 6.

SPAIN

► **Barcelona:** Lightweight. Jonathan Dele beat Tomas Castuera, TKO3. Heavyweight. Joe Tarzan beat Bartolome Gonzalez, KO1. Welterweight. Vasco Armstrong beat Felipe Prada, TKO5.

► **Las Palmas:** National lightweight champion, Kid Tano decisioned Manuel Calvo, 12.

► **Tenerife:** Featherweight. Jose Legra beat Abel Almarez, KO4. Welterweight. Barrera Corpas beat Roque Canadas, KO1.

► **Barcelona:** Bantamweight. Bob Allotey beat Fabian Bellanco, TKO5. Lightweight. Miguel Roman outscored Yanclo II, 8.

► **Barcelona:** Middleweight. Angel Garcia beat Pablo Sanchez, TKO6. Welterweight. Juan Pardo beat Vasco Armstrong who was disqualified in the seventh. Lightweight. Juan Pena outpointed Jose Vega, 8. Angel Guinaldo outscored Abdel Ben Hassan, 8.

► **Madrid:** Fernando Atzori, Italy, defended his European flyweight crown successfully, beating Andre Kid Romero, Spain, KO12. Heavyweight. Goyo Peralto beat Alfred Vogrig, TKO5. Welterweight. Jose Duran outpointed Antonio Torres, 8. Isidro Mota drew in an 8-rounder with Juan Pena.

► **Barcelona:** Welterweight. Jonathan Dele outscored John White, 8. Lightweight. Miguel Roman decisioned Luis Segura, 8. Bantamweight. Fernando Segura decisioned Martin Cavero, 8.

► **La Coruna:** Welterweight. Angel Robinson decisioned Gonzalez Dopico, 8.

► **Madri:** 5,000 saw Pedro Carrasco beat Joe Tetteh, 10. Tetteh was game to the end. He took a count of eight in round five but did not go to the canvas.

► **Alicante:** Jose Legra decisioned Renato Galli, 10. Legra was always in command. Galli's left eye was cut in frame 3. In round 8 Galli took a mandatory count of 8.

► **Bilbao:** Augustin Senin held on to his national bantamweight title beating Lopez Gallego, KO1. Carlos San Jose beat Jose Madrazo, TKO6, to win the national vacant junior middleweight crown. Heavyweight. Benito Canal beat S. Adayemi, TKO2. Welterweight. Angel Neches beat Torres Arbizu, 6.

► **Barcelona:** Welterweight. Tony Ortiz decisioned Angel Garcia, 8. Welterweight. Antonio Torres beat John Tiger, TKO6. Bantamweight. Bob Allotey outscored Rene Pigny, 8. Heavyweight. Joe Tarzan beat Expedit Montcho, KO1.

AUSTRIA

► **Vienna:** Welterweight. Helmut Stary drew in 8 rounds with Franco Caruso.

HOLLAND

► **Amsterdam:** Ruddi Lubbers decisioned Lloyd Walford, 8. Heavyweight. Jan Lubbers outscored Cristofcack, 8.

FRANCE

► **Paris:** Welterweight. Robart Gallois beat David Melendez, TKO10. Middleweight. Nessim Cohen beat Fraser Scott, TKO9. Featherweight. Ould Makloufi beat Karim Young, KO5.

► **Amiens:** Middleweight. Jean Ramon outscored Claude Courteile, 8.

► **Pointe a Pitre:** Claude Thomas decisioned Henri Nessi, 12, to win the vacant lightweight title of France.

► **Marseilles:** Welterweight. Marcel Cerdan outscored Dario Hidalgo, 10. Lightweight. Marius Cordier beat Kouider Meftah, who was disqualified in the sixth.

► **St. Ouen:** Featherweight. Tahar Ben Hassen beat Daniel Ringuet, TKO4.

► **Biarritz:** Featherweight. Paul Rourre beat Tony Martin, KO3.

► **Villeurbanne:** Welterweight. Garibaldi Pereira in a 10-rounder with David Pesenti.

► **Dunkirk:** Flyweight. Gerard Macrez outscored Luigi Boschi, 10. Lightweight. Joel Depauw outpointed Gilbert Monteyne, 8.

► **Paris:** Middleweight. Jean Claude Bouttier beat Jo Gonzales, KO3. Welterweight. Vincent Parra outscored Marcel Millieu, 8. Joseph Bessala outpointed Nelson Gomez, 8.

► **Bellegarde:** Lightweight. Jean Guenon drew an 8-framer with Gabriel Locatelli.

► **Bethune:** Welterweight. Jean Josselin beat Maurice Plouvier, KO8.

► **Charleville:** Christian Poncet beat Henri Ferjules, KO3, to win the vacant national heavyweight crown.

► **Paris:** Middleweight. Nessim Cohen drew in a 10-rounder with Lonnie Harris. Welterweight. Robert Gallois beat Julio Viera, TKO6. Featherweight. Ould Makloufi beat Paul Rourre, TKO7. Gallois was cut about the left eyebrow in the first round. Viera was hurt in round 6 and the referee called a halt. David decisioned Keim, 6, in a super lightweight match. Welterweight. Russco drew with Rodriguez, 8 rounds.

► **Villerbane:** Rene Roque, France, retained his junior welterweight crown of Europe outpointing Italian, Roman Fanali, in 15 rounds.

GERMANY

► **Cologne:** 3,000 saw German light heavyweight champion Rudiger Schmidtke decision Wilhelm von Homburg, over 10 rounds. Schmidtke was substituting for Ivan Prebeg, Yugoslavia. Rolf Kersten, Germany, decisioned Carlo di Flumeri, Italy, 4. Karl Furcht, Germany, drew in a 6-rounder with Mustafa Torki, France. Francesco Panos (Spain) beat Klaus Haevescher, Germany, TKO6. Klaus Jakoby, Germany, outscored Kruder Meftah, 8. Horst Brinkmeir, Germany, outscored 29-year-old John Tiger, 8. Arno Prick, Germany, outpointed Okee Griffith, 8.

► **Berlin** Lothar Stengel has not boxed since he lost his European light heavyweight crown to Tom Bogs in 1968. He made a comeback facing Giovanni Biancardi, Italy. Three knockdowns in round 1 and the fight was over for the visitor. Does Stengel still possess the punch that won him the crown from Piero Del Pala, or was the Italian no test for the German?

Eddie Blay, Ghana, bronze medal winner at Tokyo, beat German welterweight champion, Horst Brinkmier, TKO6. Werner Mundt beat Manfred Lessmann, TKO3. Rudi Lubbers, Holland, decisioned Detlef Naseband, Germany, 8.

► **Wiesbaden:** In a television studio Jürgen Blin, Germany, decisioned American Charley Polite, 8.

THE BRITISH ISLES

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145, gained one of the most important wins of his career by outscoring former British junior welterweight champion Des Rea, the present All-Irish titleholder, 148, over eight by 39¾-38¾.

Rea was down in the opening session, but rose without a count. He also had his gumshield knocked out in the fifth. Both had facial injuries, bleeding from the nose. Terrell also was cut on the right eyebrow.

Rea tried hard to put on a grandstand finish but he was too far behind. The Irishman was warned for low blows. Terrell was best at long range and was a shade quicker to the punch.

Terrell's stablemate Ray Brittle, Twickenham, 175½, was stopped in four by Dave Hawkes, Farnham, 173½, after being decked three times in that round.

Ron Woods, Lewisham, 145½, outpointed Tony Burnett, Cardiff, 149½, over six, by 29¾-29¼. Woods had a cut eye, but was the cleaner puncher.

Gerald Gooding, Barbados, 164, beat Frank Rumble, West Ham, on an eye injury in the fourth, but Rumble was in front at the time.

John O'Rawe, Belfast, 128, kayoed Dave Tuoehey, Leeds, 126, in three.

► **London:** The present income tax laws may be revised in order to enable prominent pros like British, European and Empire heavyweight champion Henry Cooper to spread their earnings over several years.

At the moment Cooper dare not have more than one or two major fights each year. He would receive only one shilling and three pence out of every pound earned, otherwise. The rest would be taken in tax.

The man who is taking up the case of Cooper and others is Denis Howell, former Minister for Sport, who is asking Anthony Barber, Chancellor of the Exchequer, to consider the situation.

Cooper may also be involved in a £50,000 deal. Booker McConnell, head of a prominent trading firm with a reported £93 million turnover, is anxious to take over Henry's personal appearances, for three years. This would not involve his boxing, but all outside activities which entail use of his name for publicity purposes.

British Boxing Writers' Club voted Jamaican-born Bunny Sterling the Best Young Boxer of 1970. Middleweight Sterling was the first immigrant to win a British title under the comparatively new 10-year residential clause. He lives in London and is managed by George Francis.

Tommy Milligan, the man who once kayoed Maxie Rosenbloom, has died in Glasgow, age 66. Tommy was British, European and Empire welter and middleweight champion in a career that extended from 1921 to 1928. Mickey Walker, who kayoed Tommy in 10, said "Milligan is the gamest man I ever fought."

One of the best prospects for World honors in Britain is Irish-born Pat McCormack. But Pat is a 10-stoner and there is no junior welterweight division in Britain.

This division may be reinstated when the Board of Control has its annual meeting at the end of the season.

In the British Broadcasting Corporation competition for Television Sports Personality of the Year, which brought in EVERY sport, the winner—voted by the public—was Henry Cooper, by a short head over golfer Tony Jacklin.

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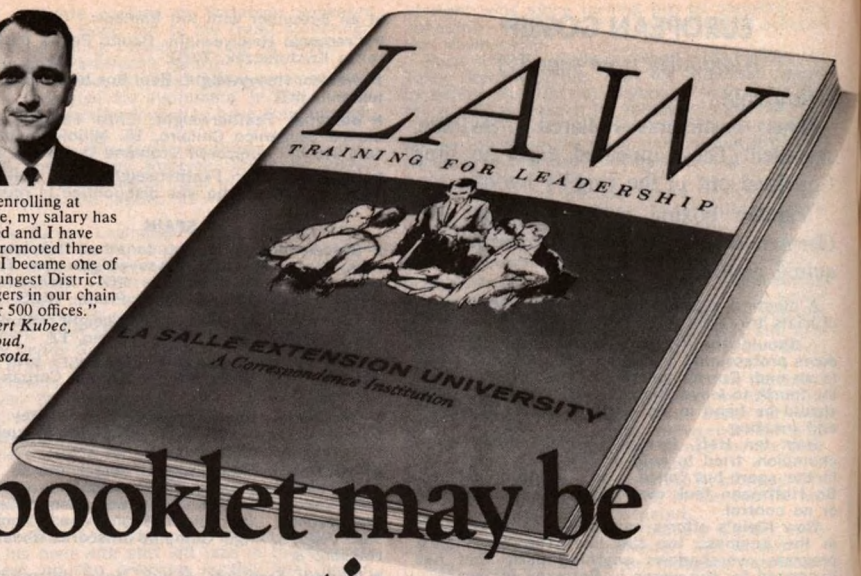

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DRINK ON POUNDS OF WEIGHT FAST —THE FUN WAY!

Gains of up to a Pound-A-Day proven by thousands

It's Here! It's Delicious! The new taste sensation "CRASH-WEIGHT GAIN PLAN" helps you drink on pounds... Up to A-POUND-A-DAY while you rest... Relax... watch TV. See measurable gains instantly and say goodbye to your skinny, undesirable String-bean body. NOW!

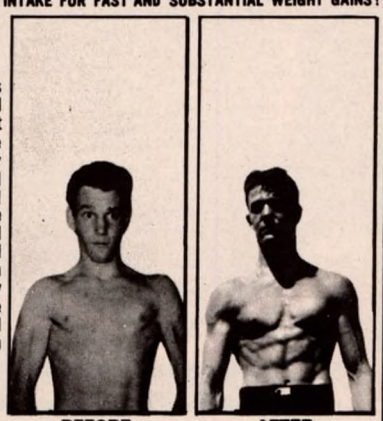
HERE'S LIVING PROOF IT WORKS—FAST!

USED WITH AMAZING RESULTS BY TENS OF THOUSANDS OF MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN FOR MORE THAN 7 YEARS! NOW, YOU TOO CAN TAKE THIS GUARANTEED WAY TO BUILD UP YOUR CALORIC INTAKE FOR FAST AND SUBSTANTIAL WEIGHT GAINS!

gains 18 pounds in 14 days!

The "before" photo shows how Larry Chamiel looked without the added weight he needed so badly. The "after" photo shows Larry 14 days after he started the **Crash-Weight Plan** and gained 18 pounds. He writes: "What more could a guy ask for? All I did was add 4 glasses of Crash Weight Formula #7 to my regular meals, follow Joe Weider's Plan and I gained a tremendous 18 pounds in two weeks!"

SHOULDN'T THIS HAPPEN TO YOU?

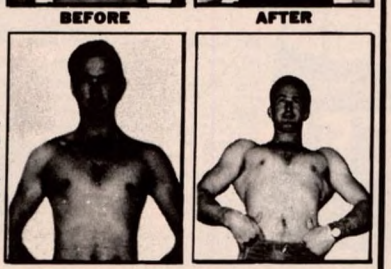


BEFORE AFTER

gains 14 pounds in 14 days!

James Parker of Ft. Worth, Texas writes: "It's Fantastic—I went from 158 to 172 pounds in 14 days. Gained 14 pounds in 14 days and added 2 inches to my chest. I'm more than satisfied."

WHY NOT YOU?



THE DO-IT-YOURSELF GAIN-A-POUND-A-DAY KIT!

This is a 1-day supply of **Crash-Weight**, chock full of weight-gaining nutrients that can smash the weight-gaining barrier!

You want to gain a pound a day? Half a pound a day? Maybe you just want to add a few pounds here and there? You want it easily...enjoyably...without stuffing yourself and counting calories?—

NOW YOU CAN

It's simply wild... AND IT WORKS!

You too can follow this amazing Crash-Weight Formula #7 Plan and drink on as much as a pound a day... to help flesh out your bones... fill out your narrow, shallow chest, skinny arms, and spindly legs. Skinny people are undesirable... they look sickly. Say goodbye to your string-bean looks with this sensational new plan—NOW!

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Check one of the Plans below:

☐ 7-Day Supply of Crash Weight #7 Plan..$ 7.50
☐ 14-Day Supply of Crash Weight #7 Plan..$14.98
Check flavor desired: ☐ Chocolate ☐ Vanilla

NAME..... AGE....

ADDRESS .....

CITY..... STATE..... ZIP.....

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SERVICEMEN: TO SPEED YOUR ORDER, U. S. Regulations require that shipments to servicemen be prepaid — Please add indicated amount as required by your APO or FPO address.

APO or FPO	N.Y.	or S.F.
CRASH-WEIGHT (7-Day	.80	$1.75
CRASH-WEIGHT (14-Day)	1.10	2.75

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What's the secret? I don't care if you're skinny or fat, muscular or weak, tall or short, 15 or 50 – how young or old you are – I can turn you into an arsenal of power. My amazing course is the greatest achievement in the art of self-defense. It took 20 years and over $200,000 to uncover these terrifying combative secrets of the past. It shows that the key to your fighting power is in "KNOW-HOW" – not in muscles. With these "KNOW-HOW" secrets – you can with cool confidence, at a moment's notice, become a terrifying fighting machine unleashing hidden power that even you don't know you have. Your arms will become powerful, protective shields, your legs will have the piston-like kick of a kangaroo, your fingers will jab like knives, and your shoulders, elbows, knees and feet will be sledge-hammer battering rams of crushing force. You'll protect yourself and loved ones from any hoodlum twice your size who's foolish enough to attack you. **I guarantee that I can do all this for you in 30 days if you rush in free coupon now!**

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